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First-Class Track

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Agenda

- First-Class Track
  - Action Items from Last Meeting
  - Workgroup Updates
  - 5D Scheme LL
  - CFS/PARS Consolidation
  - MTEOR Update
  - Mail Prep & Entry Steering Committee Update
  - Update on Flats Strategy
  - Remittance Mail – Remittance Mail Redirect
  - Network Rationalization Phase II Status
  - Open Discussion

Action Items

- Action Items from Last Meeting
  - Process for ordering/replacing label holder – Process improvement
  - Share MOP flow on forwarding of mail and undeliverable mail
  - Post mail flows (MOP) on RIBBS (MP&E folders)
  - MTEOR – sites not reporting – improve communication needed
  - Include Postal Customer Councils (PCCs) when rolling out MTEOR
  - Are First-Class Mailers permitted to stack pallets?
  - Flat Strategy – Mail Design
  - Remittance Mail Redirect – Address lead time in planning
  - Labeling Lists & CSAs approval process does not align
    - Evaluate CSA process
    - Potential workgroup

Workgroup Updates

Workgroup Updates

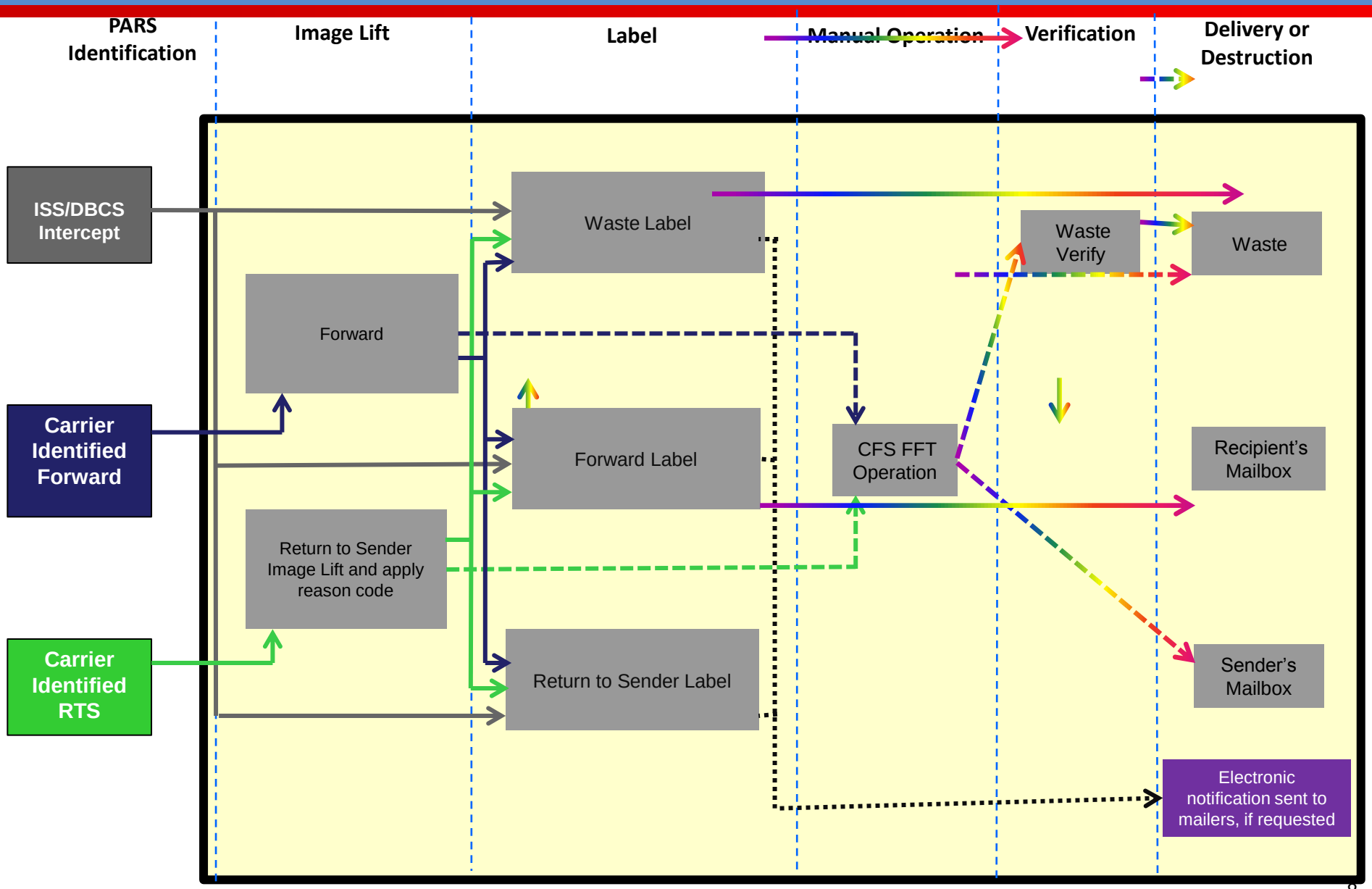
- WG 156 – Utilizing the Mail Optimization Matrix (MOP)
- WG 157 – Load Leveling
- UG 7 – MTEOR
- TT 11 – Revising mail preparation parameter file releases and schedule to minimize costs and service impacts

- Utilizing the MOP to identify and organize improvement opportunities

  - Current Status
    - Workgroup meetings complete
    - MOP and supporting documents developed
    - Created prioritized list of opportunities
    - Completed templates for submission of top opportunities to Mail Prep and Entry Steering Committee

  - Follow-Up from August MTAC
    - PARS mailflow
      - Shared with MOP group
      - Posted to MITS

PARS Mail Flow with ART ID



South Jersey Load Leveling Test

MTAC Meeting 11/06/13

Results not yet validated

Discussion draft with MTAC group

Load Leveling Standard Mail Test

- South Jersey Plant
- Product of MTAC Workgroup 157
- Test dates

  9/10/13 – 9/26/13

SJ Plant Supports

	#
Post Offices	159
City Delivery Offices	45
City Routes	1050
Rural Routes	441

Load Leveling Concept

Current color coding policy uses Sunday as a “day” when computing the intended delivery day. For destinating SCF (DSCF) mail this results in 2 days of receipt being scheduled for Monday delivery

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Color code for Wednesday until 1600	Color code for Thursday until 1600	Color code for Friday until 1600	Color code for Saturday until 1600	All Day is color coded for Monday	Color code for Monday until 1600	Color code for Tuesday until 1600
1600 - Thurs Violet	1600 - Fri Yellow	1600- Sat Pink	1600 - Monday		1600 - Tues Orange	1600 - Wed Green

Revised color coding policy will not include Sunday as a “day” when calculating the delivery day. For destinating SCF (DSCF) mail results in 2 days of receipt being scheduled for Wednesday delivery and moves one of the heaviest receipt days (Friday) to Tuesday delivery.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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1600 - Thurs Violet	1600 - Fri Yellow	1600- Sat Pink	1600 - Monday Blue	1600 - Tues Orange	1600 - Wed Green	

Load Leveling Standard Mail Test

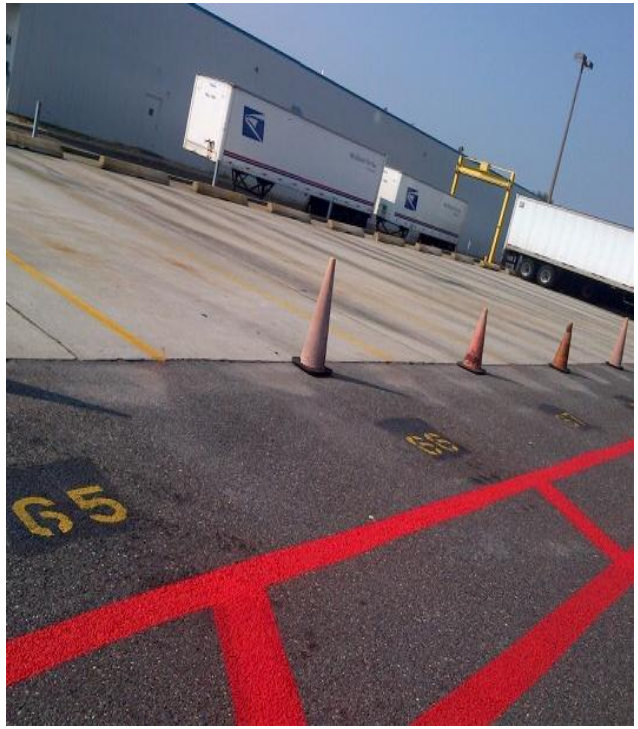
- Trained Expeditors, Mail Handlers on new color code schema
- Changed all Signage
- Developed comprehensive plan with local site to segregate mail by color code, stage at plant and deliver day certain
- Strict adherence to RPGs allowed us to control what mail was advanced by sort program

Load Leveling Standard Mail Test

- Mail was staged on the floor and in trailers
- Used signage and caution tape to inhibit accidental induction of the standard on the wrong day

Load Leveling Standard Mail Test

- Trailers were loaded sealed and inventoried every four hours.
- Parking lot was painted red where our 11 trailers were stored.

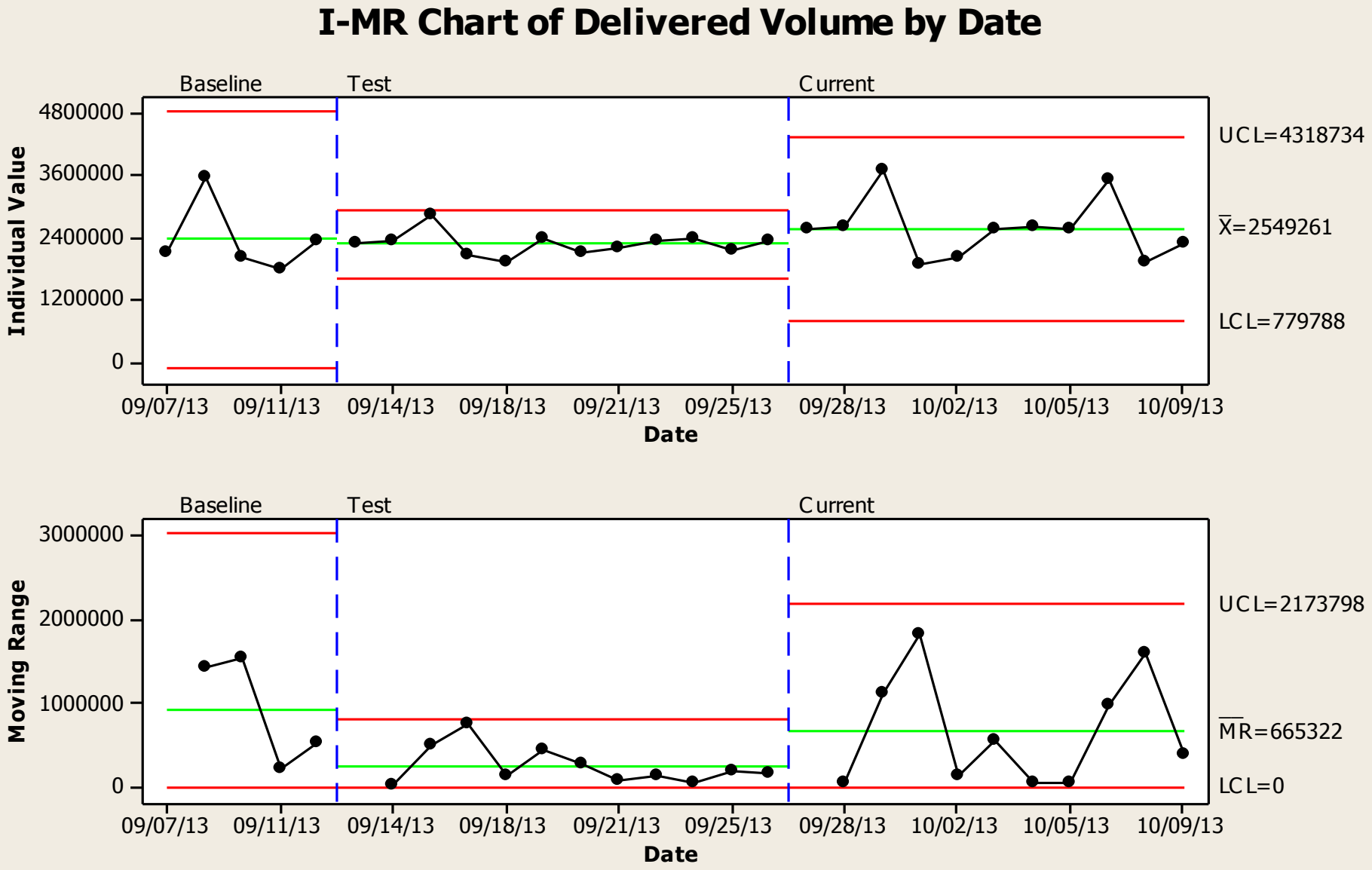


The Results

Load Leveling Standard Test Results

- Load leveling across days of the weeks achieved
- Carrier results
  - 31% reduction overtime percentage
  - 50% reduction of carriers out after 1700
  - More consistent delivery times
- Still assessing mail processing savings. Perfect knowledge of next day's production runs – strengthens use of RPG and facilitates conversation with employees on work expectations
- Outgoing clearance earlier on Monday
  - 80% cancelled by 2000 on 9/16
  - 83% cancelled by 2000 on 9/23
- Mail tendered to airlines earlier

Results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X̄=2549261
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09/11/13
09/14/13
09/18/13
09/21/13
09/25/13
09/28/13
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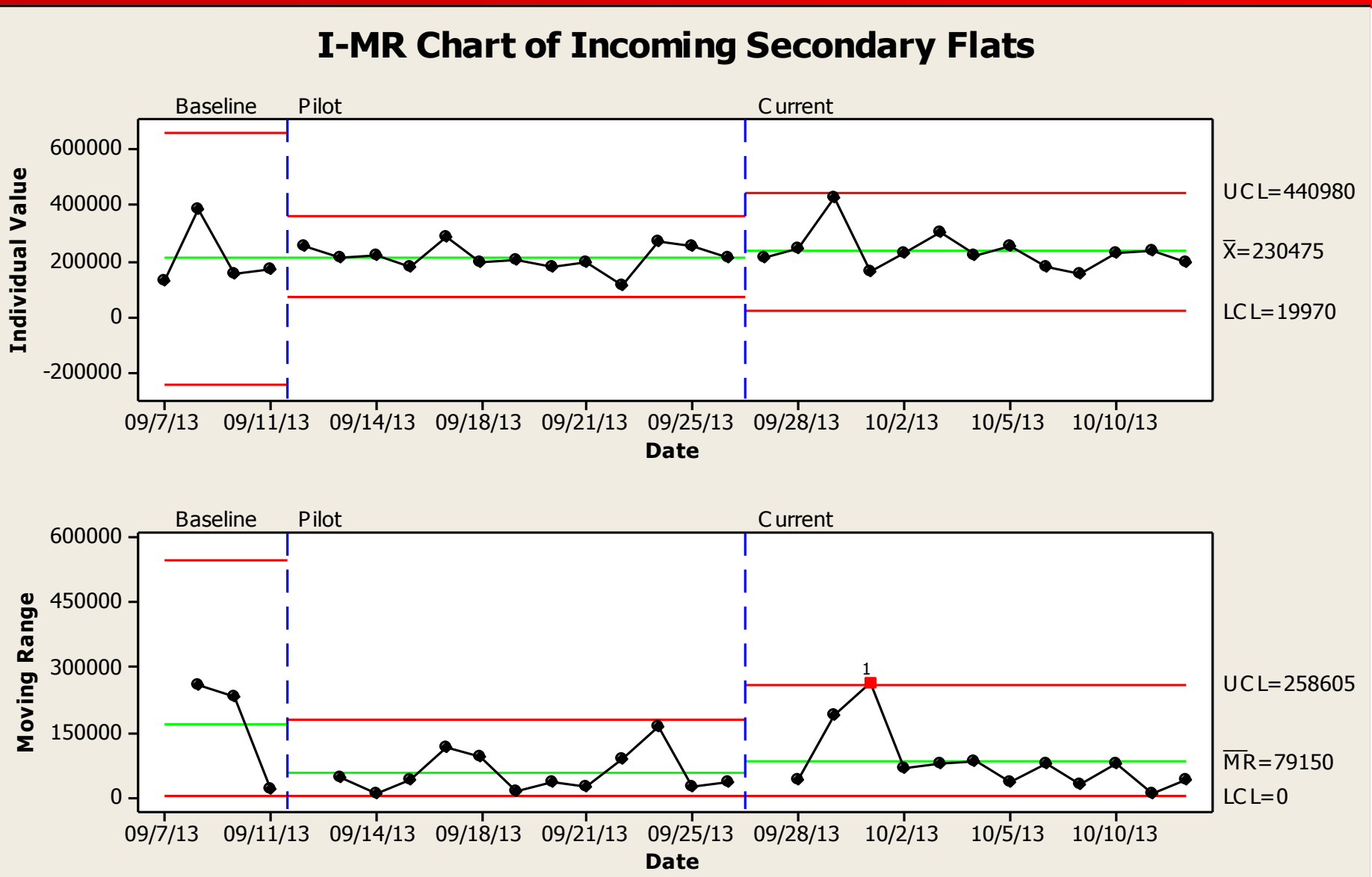
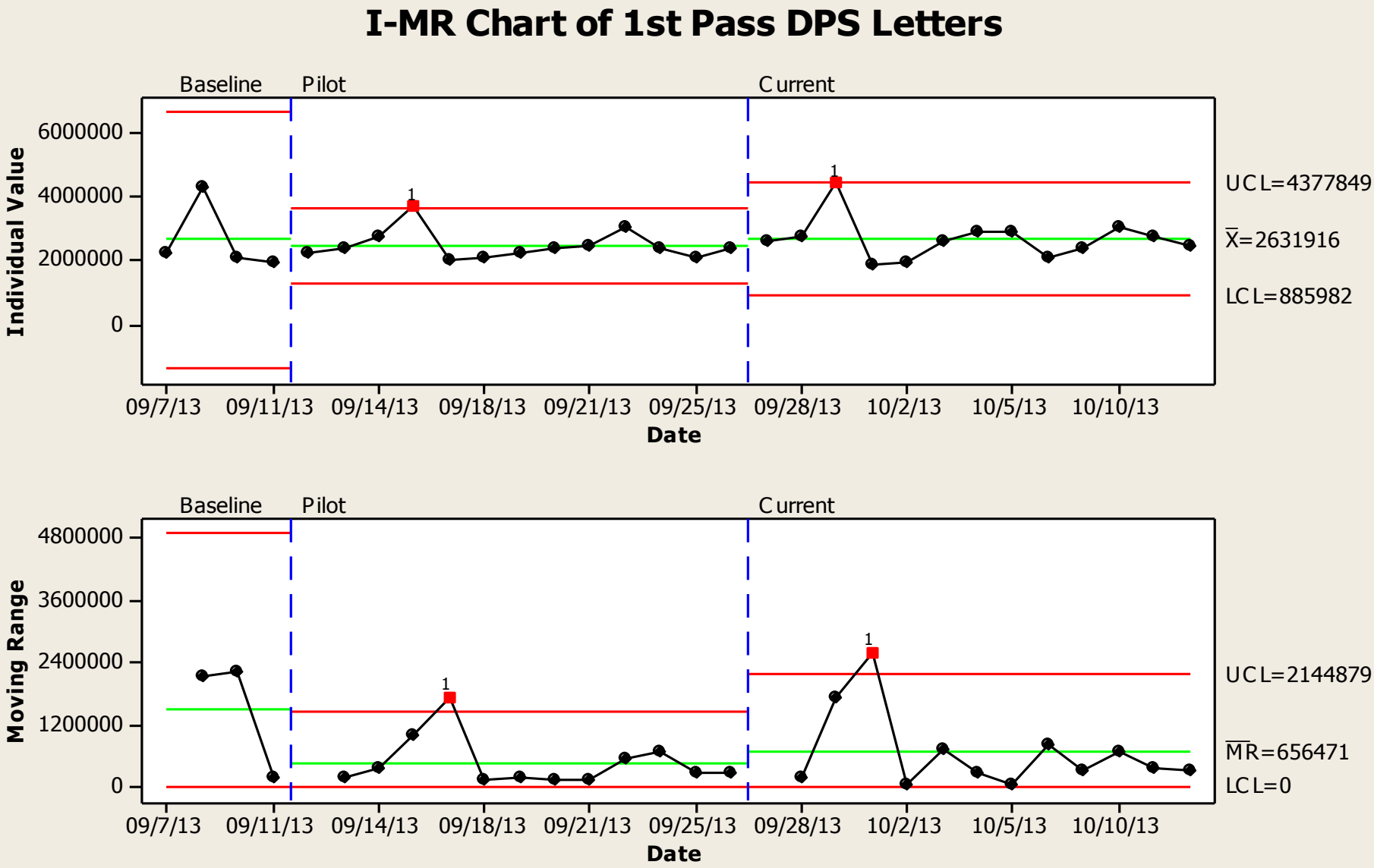
AFSM100 CR-RT Flats (Opn 146)



DPS 1st Pass Letters (Opn 918)



Comments from the Delivery sites

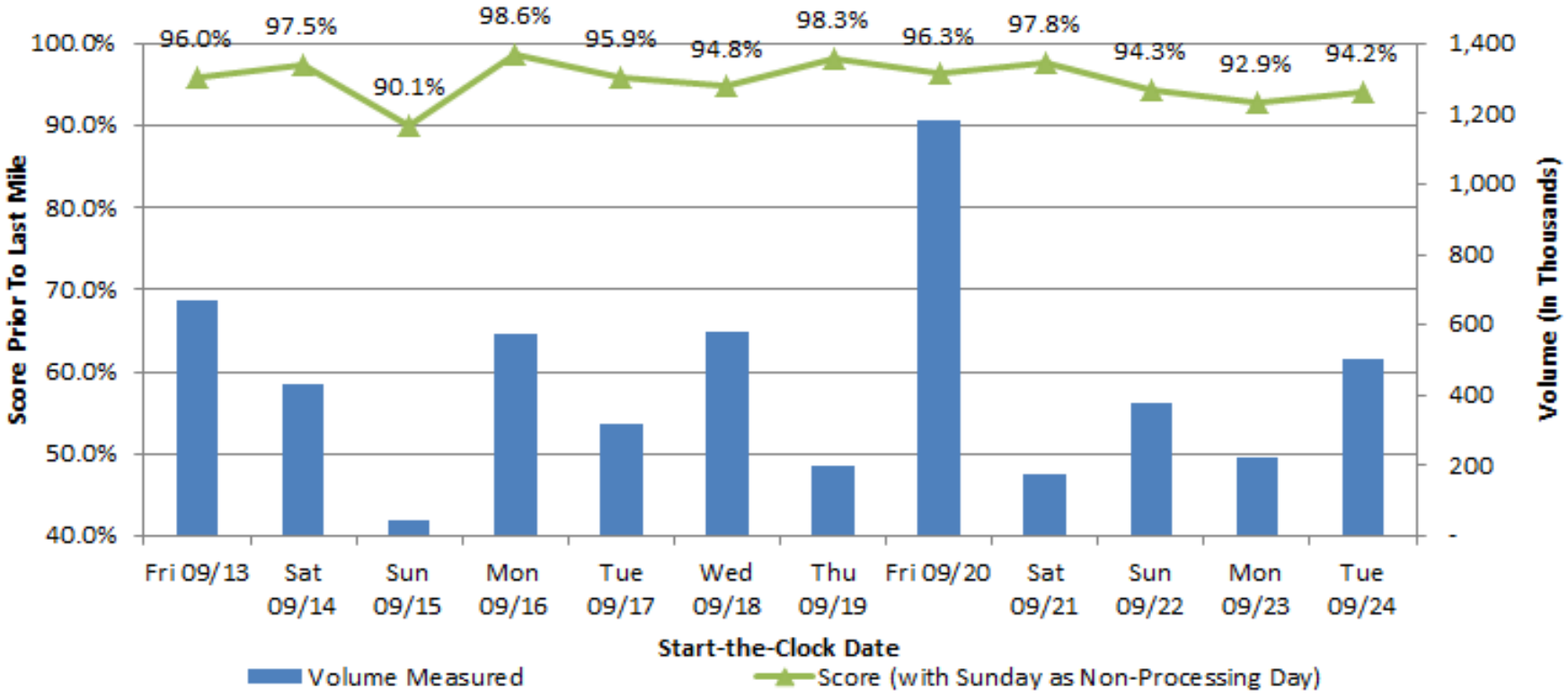
- The delivery supervisor liked the evenly distributed workload between Monday and Tuesday.

- Leveled workload on Monday helped in cutting down on the request for help from non OT list carriers. These carriers were happy that they had enough to keep them busy on Tuesday and they did not have to do too much under time on other routes. It cuts down on grievance activity.

- Few of our carriers asked today if we can just keep on going with this test. If that's not possible when will the loads leveling actually be implemented

Score Impact

~5.3 million pieces of Standard DSCF mail were measured during the South Jersey P&DC load leveling operations test



Note: *All volumes indicated above are excluded from service measurement reporting*

Next Steps

Possible Next steps

- Discuss the week of MTAC
- Support moving forward to PRC case

MTEOR User Group 007

MTAC User Group 007 Update

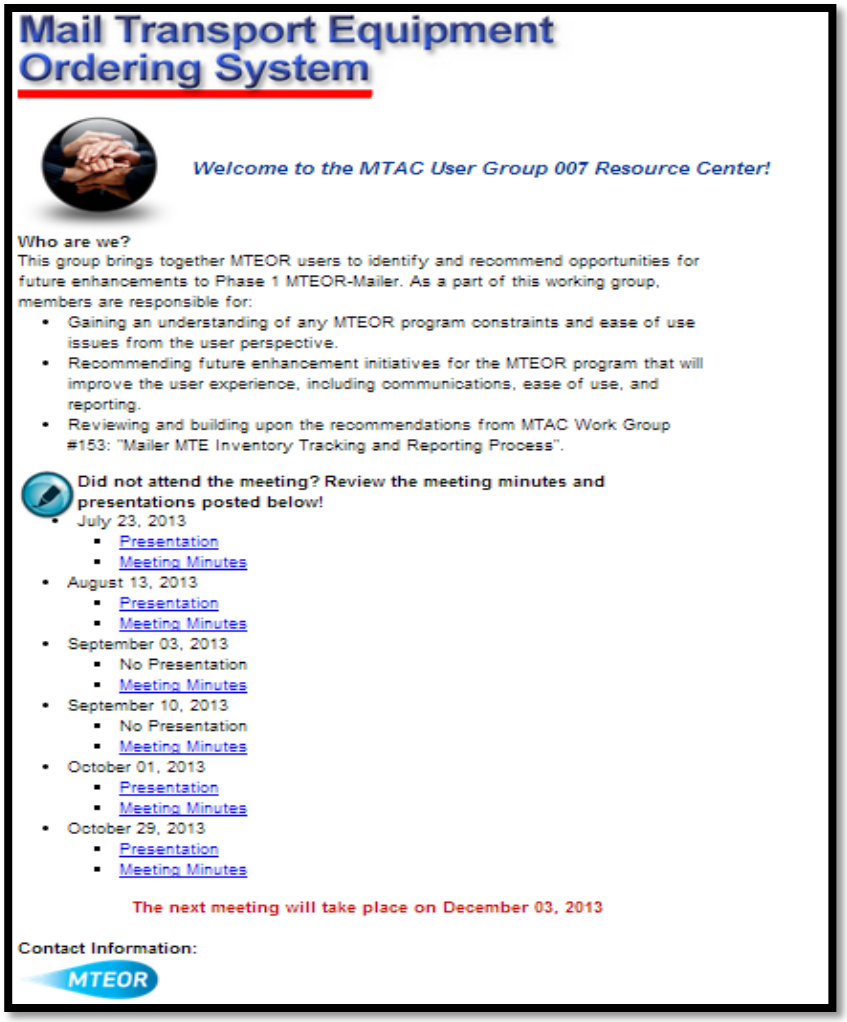
- **MTAC User Group 007 met four times since August**
  - Discussed the launch of MTEOR for Local Mailers and potential 2014 MTEOR enhancements

Potential Enhancements	Projected Launch Date
Customer Reports – Templates are still being defined and are open for discussion	**Inventory Summary Report** – Dec 2013 **Other Reports** – Spring
Messaging 'Module' on MTEOR Homepage – Updates will be shared with users via messages (i.e., known system issues; MTE supply updates, etc.)	Spring
Order History – Order history will be expanded to 30 days; users will eventually be able to export up to 13 months of order history	Spring
Modify/Withdraw Capabilities – When a user withdraws an order, the screen will be automatically updated to show the available transportation and 'Modify' will be added as an order status	Spring

MTAC User Group 007 Resources

- **Visit the MTAC User Group 007 Resource Center for all meeting materials and meeting minutes**
  - https://ribbs.usps.gov/mteor/mtac007.htm

- **Next Meeting: December 3, 2013**
  - Contact the MTEOR Help Desk at MTEOR@usps.gov or 1-866-330-3404 to join the MTEOR User Group 007



Mail Transport Equipment Ordering System

Welcome to the MTAC User Group 007 Resource Center!

Who are we?

This group brings together MTEOR users to identify and recommend opportunities for future enhancements to Phase 1 MTEOR-Mailer. As a part of this working group, members are responsible for:

- Gaining an understanding of any MTEOR program constraints and ease of use issues from the user perspective.
- Recommending future enhancement initiatives for the MTEOR program that will improve the user experience, including communications, ease of use, and reporting.
- Reviewing and building upon the recommendations from MTAC Work Group #153: "Mailer MTE Inventory Tracking and Reporting Process".

Did not attend the meeting? Review the meeting minutes and presentations posted below!

- July 23, 2013
  - Presentation
  - Meeting Minutes
- August 13, 2013
  - Presentation
  - Meeting Minutes
- September 03, 2013
  - No Presentation
  - Meeting Minutes
- September 10, 2013
  - No Presentation
  - Meeting Minutes
- October 01, 2013
  - Presentation
  - Meeting Minutes
- October 29, 2013
  - Presentation
  - Meeting Minutes

The next meeting will take place on December 03, 2013

Contact Information:

MTEOR

Task Team #11

Task Team #11 – Review Labeling List and Mail Direction File Schedule

- Updated Labeling List and Mail Direction File Schedule – 2014 and Beyond

	IT Send LList TEST Files to NCSC	IT Generate Final Files for Downstream Systems (FAST, NCSC, PE)	Publish Date of Labeling List and MDF Files	Label List and MDF Begin Usage Date	Label List and MDF Mandatory Usage Date	Label List/MDF Expiration (last date to enter into USPS destination induction facility)	Accept 8125 of Old Address
1	11/15/2013	11/29/2013	12/15/2013	1/1/2014	2/1/2014	1/31/2014	3/17/2014
2	12/7/2013	12/14/2013	1/1/2014	2/1/2014	3/1/2014	3/31/2014	5/15/2014
3	1/7/2014	1/14/2014	2/1/2014	3/1/2014	4/1/2014	4/30/2014	6/14/2014
4	2/7/2014	2/14/2014	3/1/2014	4/1/2104	5/1/2014	5/31/2014	7/15/2014
5	3/7/2014	3/14/2014	4/1/2014	5/1/2014	6/1/2014	6/30/2014	8/14/2014
6	4/7/2014	4/14/2014	5/1/2014	6/1/2014	7/1/2014	7/31/2014	9/14/2014
7	5/7/2014	5/14/2014	6/1/2014	7/1/2014	8/1/2014	8/31/2014	10/15/2014
8	6/7/2014	6/14/2014	7/1/2014	8/1/2014	9/1/2014	9/30/2014	11/14/2014
9	7/7/2014	7/14/2014	8/1/2014	9/1/2014	10/1/2014	10/31/2014	12/15/2014
10	8/7/2014	8/14/2014	9/1/2014	10/1/2014	11/1/2014	11/30/2014	1/14/2015
11	9/7/2014	9/14/2014	10/1/2014	11/1/2014	12/1/2014	12/31/2014	1/5/2015
12	10/7/2014	10/14/2014	11/1/2014	12/1/2014	1/1/2015	1/31/2015	3/17/2015

Changes related to January 26 price change

30-day notification

30-day grace period

Maximize 5D Scheme Labeling Lists

- Current State
  - Site defined 5D Scheme Labeling List
    - Letter - L012
    - Flats – L006
  - LL do not encompass all DPS 5 Digit Schemes
    - L012 5 Digit Schemes – 1,339
    - DPS 5 Digit Multi Zone Schemes – 3,909

- Proposed State
  - Align 5D Scheme Labeling List with current DPS Schemes
  - Top down approach to define 5D Scheme Labeling Lists

- Opportunity
  - Shift Volume from 3 Digit/AADC to 5 Digit Scheme
  - Reduce trays by combining zones to create improved tray density
  - Reduce tray handlings
  - Reduce volume for primary sortation

CFS/PARS Consolidation

CFS AND PARS CIOSS PROCESSING CONSOLIDATIONS

- USPS has reduced to 22 CFS Units operating in 2013
  - Consolidated to increase efficiency of remaining CFS units
  - Reductions due to PARS and individual Area initiatives
  - Memphis TN CFS has been relocated to Jackson TN
  - Philadelphia PA CFS has been relocated to Southeastern PA
  - Further CFS consolidations are dependent on implementation of: Remote Forwarding System (RFS) and FPARS (PARS for flats)

- PARS CIOSS processing operations now consolidated to 64 plants
  - Activated CIOSS processing at San Juan PR in July 2013
  - Consolidated Fargo ND into Sioux Falls SD in October 2013
  - Consolidated Boise ID into Salt Lake City UT in November 2013
  - Plants without CIOSS processing operations are “feeder” plants, sending PARS letters to CIOSS plants for CIOSS processing
  - Consolidated to increase efficiency of CIOSS operations
  - Continue CIOSS site consolidations in 2014, reducing from 64 to 61 CIOSS processing plants

Mail Transport Equipment Online Ordering (MTEOR) Update

MTEOR for Local Mailers

- **MTEOR for Local Mailers launched on October 7th**
  - Allows Mailers who request MTE from the three pilot plants below to request MTE through MTEOR

Santa Ana P&DC	South Jersey P&DC	Indianapolis P&DC
56 Mailers	*62 Mailers*	*43 Mailers*

- **The pilot has been a success thus far**
  - 76 Mailers have used MTEOR for Local Mailers
  - 303 requests were placed through MTEOR
  - Over $1.5 million worth of MTE has been requested through MTEOR

Our phased roll-out by Area will begin with the Southern Pacific Area on February 3rd

Figures were last updated November 14, 2013

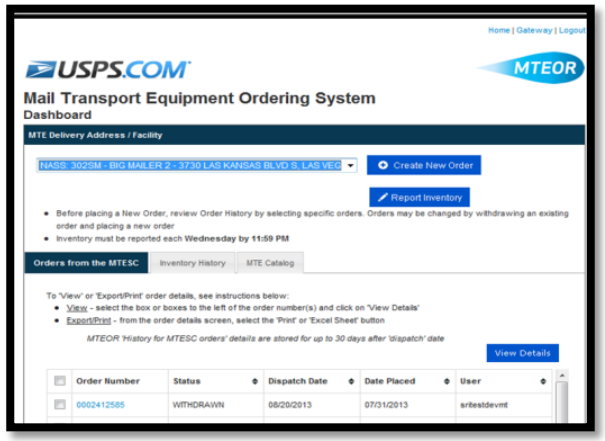
Local Mailers Full Implementation

- **We will launch MTEOR for Local Mailers in all Areas in 2014 using a phased approach**
  - **Southern Pacific Area** – February 3, 2014
  - **Northern Pacific Area** – March 3, 2014
  - **Eastern Area** – April 7, 2014
  - **Great Lakes Area** – May 5, 2014
  - **Southern Area** – June 2, 2014
  - **Northeast Area** – July 7, 2014
  - **Capital Metro Area** – August 4, 2014
  - **Western Area** – September 1, 2014

- **We will begin communicating with Mailers soon in the Southern Pacific Area through the participating plants, Postal Customer Councils, and Business Service Networks**

Additional MTEOR Updates

- **MTEOR Enhancements**
  - Tabs implemented on dashboard
  - Order and Inventory History expanded to 14 days
  - Updated MTE pricing



MTEOR Dashboard

MTEOR RIBBS Page

- **Launch of New MTEOR RIBBs Page**
  - MTESC Mailer Learning Laboratory
  - Local Mailer Learning Laboratory
  - MTAC User Group 007 Page

- **Inventory Report Reminder Emails Sent Wednesdays**

Inventory Report Reminder Email

MTEOR Webpage:
http://ribbs.usps.gov/mteor

MTEOR Help Desk:
Hours: Monday-Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.(CST)
Phone: 1-866-330-3404
Email: mteor@usps.gov

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Mail Prep & Entry
Steering Committee Update

Mail Prep and Entry Ideas Log

- 116 ideas submitted to date
  - 37 closed
    - Out of scope, withdrawn or re-assigned
  - 19 completed
    - Postal Bulletin articles and DMM revisions announced
  - 31 remaining in Benefit/Effort matrix
  - 29 open need Change/Improvement template submitted or idea withdrawn

DMM Revisions to Date

	Federal Register Proposed Rule	Federal Register Final Rule	Postal Bulletin article	DMM revision effective
Item #22: FSS Prep Requirement Item #14: 5 digit/FSS Scheme pallets Item #63: Eliminate CR bundles in FSS zones Item #42: Maintain comail benefits in future FSS pricing environment Item #86: USPS make FSS bundle prep required.	09/26/13	TBD Final Rule will be posted in December, delayed due to government shutdown	TBD	TBD
Item #71: Conflict in DMM Language regarding presentation of MXD AADC trays	NA	NA	09/19/13	1/26/2014
Item #77: Increase Pallet Stacking limits Item #88: Increase the maximum number of pallets	NA	NA	10/31/13	1/26/2014

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Benefit/Effort Matrix

High Priority	Medium Priority	Low Priority
Item #6: Reduce time moving mail between bundle and piece sorts	**Item #8**: FCM 500 Piece Manifest Rule	**Item #83:** Enhance address label to include the CRRT designation on Non CRRT pieces
Item #10: **FCM Palletization Rules Confusing**	**Item #11**: Non-automation Presort rules	**Item #84:** Re-evaluate non-machineable barcode rates
Item #12: CSA Management	**Item #21:** Eliminate CR prep for STD & PER Ltrs	
Item #13: **Allow Commingle/CoMail of BPM and Standard Flats**	**Item #23**: Origin Entry Separation	
Item #28: Increase 20 oz machinable weight limit	**Item #26**: Bundle processing bottleneck and problems	
Item #43: Cost Based Rates Study	**Item #36**: Postage Statement Separations	
Item #76: Low volume pallet entry	**Item #44**: Requirement to re-qualify mail	
Item #78: Eliminate Non Value added Container Preps	**Item #62**: Carrier management of UAA mail and NIXIE information	
Item #79: Bundle & Container prices should signal 5D prep and DSCF entry	**Item #66**: Presort verification for flats in DMUs	
Item #80: Container and Drop shipment prices should signal the entry of 5D pallets to the DSCF and DDU	**Item #74**: Removal of Origin Sack Mail	
	Item #81: Ensure MDF allows all DSCF and 5D containers to the deepest possible Dest Facility	
	Item #82: Industry and USPS develop a strategy to increase the % of flats that comail	

29 Open Items on Ideas Log

Item #4: DDU entry for non-FSS flats	**Item #91:** Explore pricing methods to strengthen or create uniform signals for FSS prep across each class	**Item #108:** Permit combining mailings of different postage methods in a bundle based mailing
Item #38: Price vs. service level vs. time of day for different pts in USPS operations	**Item #92:** Industry / USPS work to increase comail capabilities and volumes	**Item #109:** Value added price incentives
Item #39: Narrow the focus of what defines a mailing	**Item #97:** First Class drop ship (including exploring alternate downstream entry at USPS) – Hub Work Group #159	**Item #110:** Create 3D scheme container/bundle
Item #40: Allow merging of classes when using same operation scheme	**Item #98:** Evaluate UAA/Move Update options, processing and adherence to procedures	**Item #111:** Bypass manual breakdown by building fuller 5D or 5D scheme trays/tubs/bundles
Item #41: Allow drop ship discounts at piece handing and bundle handling ops	**Item #99:** Improve residual single piece mail process, including communication, definition, pricing	**Item #112:** Eliminate bundles in full tubs in bundle rate mailings (check pricing implications)
Item #68: Streamline linking of new entry to payment process	**Item #100:** Evaluate and identify ways to reduce mailer damage mail	**Item #113:** Lower 90 piece minimum
Item #85: USPS enhance DPS bundle prep operation (currently SAMP) to be capable of processing facility pallets. (today limited to scheme pallet)	**Item #103:** Exploring alternate downstream entry at USPS – Hub Work Group #159	**Item #114:** Expand the use and roles of Customer Service Agreements – dynamic and flexible in mail prep/container and entry times
Item #87: USPS make FSS container prep required ONLY AFTER a re-examination of optimal prep is completed	**Item #105:** Identify best practices among eVS and PVDS and incorporate for both processes	**Item #115:** Create drop-ship price signal
Item #89: Ensure Mail Direction file supports directing all FSS container types to the deepest possible facility in the network for processing	**Item #106:** Improve 99M Container Scan compliance at NDCs and SCFs and expand to include sacks at DDU	**Item #116:** Signal prep of lower minimum tray for CRRT and 5D
Item #90: USPS create unique prices within Periodicals to signal the entry of FSS prepped mail at each FSS site	**Item #107:** Increase maximum pallet height to enhance double stacking of gaylords	

Flats Strategy Update

Flats Strategy Status

- Draft posted on RIBBS 10/31/13

- Further collaborative discussion / development underway to include
  - Initiatives to reduce costs
  - Future technology for flats
  - Growth strategies

- Scheduled to publish 12/31/13

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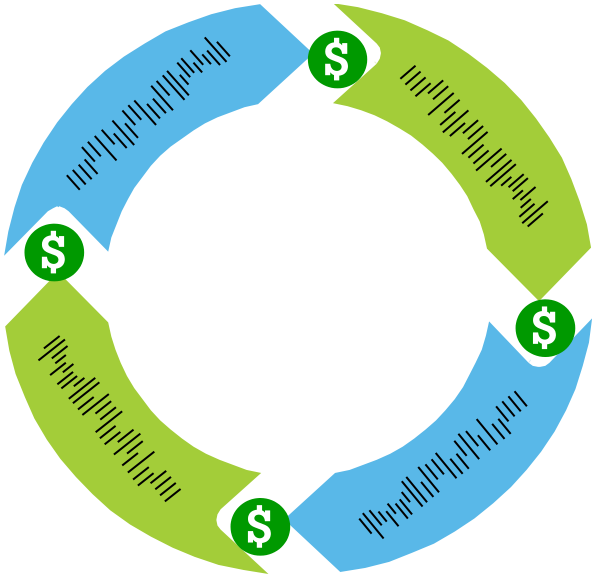
Remittance Mail Redirect

Product Concept Brief



Remittance Mail Redirect Service

❖ Enables the redirection of time-sensitive payment mail addressed to one processing address to an alternate processing address

❖ Service leverages sort plans to identify mail by unique unique ZIP+4 at origin facilities and redirect mail to one or more facilities across the USPS network

❖The redirection process is transparent to mailers of payment mail

❖ Redirection service can take place:

- Temporarily where fast and dynamic redirection is needed
- Permanently where reliable and efficient redirection is needed

RMR Status Update

- Proof of Concept

  - ✓ Successfully tested over year-long pilot
  - ✓ Pilot mailer still using RMR service – under pilot terms

- Pricing Survey

  - ✓ Conducted third party pricing survey with industry players
  - ✓ Industry signaled competitive and simplified pricing
  - ✓ USPS using industry feedback to model proposed pricing to be presented to ELT for review/approval
  - ✓ **USPS awaiting industry players feedback on "take rates/guesstimates" on volumes**

- Next Steps

  Finalize SOP
  Obtain volume "guesstimates" from industry players
  Present RMR to ELT
  Seek Board of Governors approval to file with PRC

Network Rationalization
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Open Discussion

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Action Items

- Action Items from Last Meeting
  - Load Leveling Announcement – Add *"why"* to announcement
  - HUBS
    - SV / eInduction
    - Pallet minimums
    - In-county newspapers
  - Evaluate establishing workgroup on adding BPM to comingle-mailing for Periodicals and Standard based on complexity – We discussed that a workgroup is not needed at this time; software programming is complex for both USPS and industry, and additional time is needed for programming. Part of a future release.
  - Technical requirements for FSS preparation needed prior to January 2014

Engineering Technology Update

USPS-Paper/Printing Industry Workshop

- Workshop held on Oct 29
  - Gain a better understanding of the paper/printing process and impact on mail characteristics
  - How changes in volume, paper weight and type of paper influences the mailing costs
  - Elements that shape flat mail characteristics
    - Lighter paper produces savings in postage and shipping cost
    - How physics of Flat mail and processing is impacted by variance in paper weight, material, stiffness, coating, print quality, etc.
  - Elements that Influence flat mail processing (card stock, paper basis weight, poly, print quality, thickness, Low “Run Stiffness”)
    - How different stiffness of flat mail affects feeding, tray transfer processes, and mail damage
  - Defining a “Perfect Flat”
    - Initiate a workshop with the mailing industry to define characteristics – QTR 1, 2014
    - Obtain test mail to test characteristics for optimum performance – QTR 2, 2014
    - Collaborate on forming the refined characteristics – QTR 2, 2014
    - Generate a guideline for “Perfect Flat” – QTR 3, 2014

FSS Mail Handling Improvements

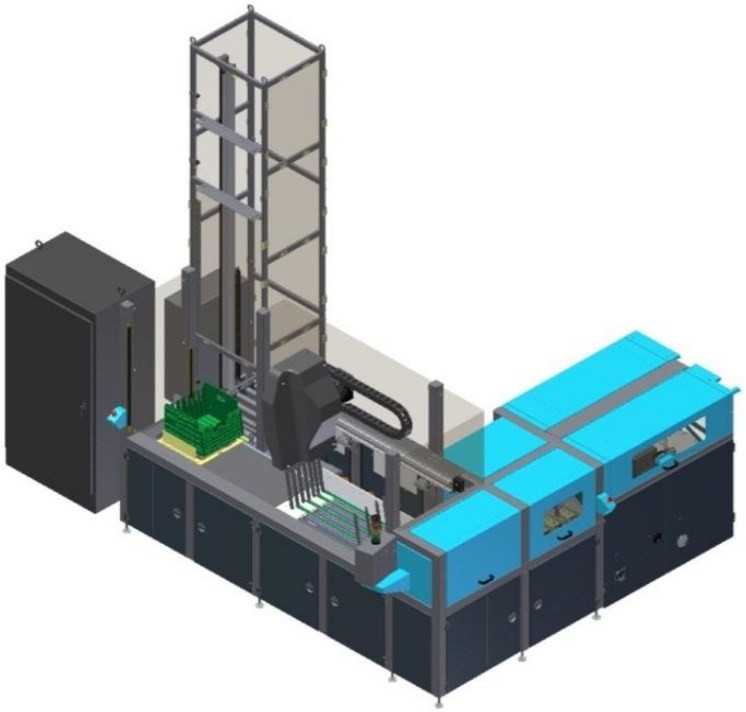
- **New Separation Belts planned for Dec/Jan**
  - New Belts are ready for deployment.
    - New welder tool has been delayed due to First Article non-conformance issues
    - Deployment planned for all 100 machines – Dec/Jan

- **Mail Stack Quality at Feeders planned for Dec/Jan**
  - Adding 3 HW mods at feeder to better control stack quality and have gentler pick off of Low “Run Stiffness” Mail
  - Production First Articles have been delayed and now have been received and approved.
  - 5 machines currently installed with the Mods
  - Deployment planned for the remaining machines – Dec/Jan

- **Infeed Line Injector planned for Dec/Jan**
  - Adding 2 HW mods at Infeed Line for better injection into Carousel of Low “Run Stiffness” Mail to minimize flipped mail
  - Production First Articles have been delayed and now have been received and approved.
  - 2 machines currently installed with the Mods
  - Deployment planned for the remaining machines - Dec/Jan

R&D Evaluation Plan

- Install HSFF (Completed) Jun 14
- “Live” mail evaluation (started) Jun 15
- Check Point 1 Sep 16
- Continue “Live” mail evaluation
  - Through Fall mailing season
- Check Point 2 Dec 9
- End “Live” mail Evaluation Jan 2014



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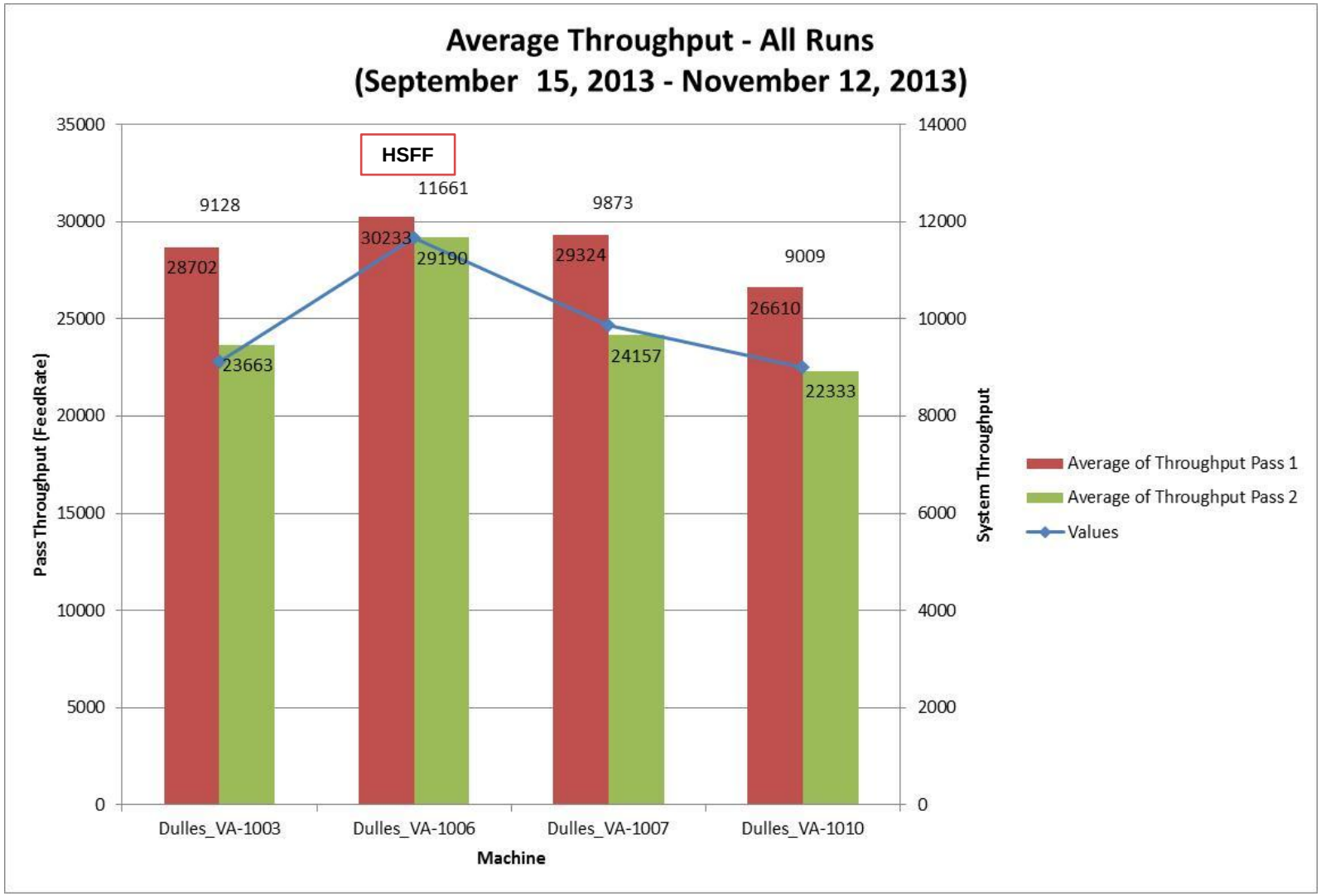

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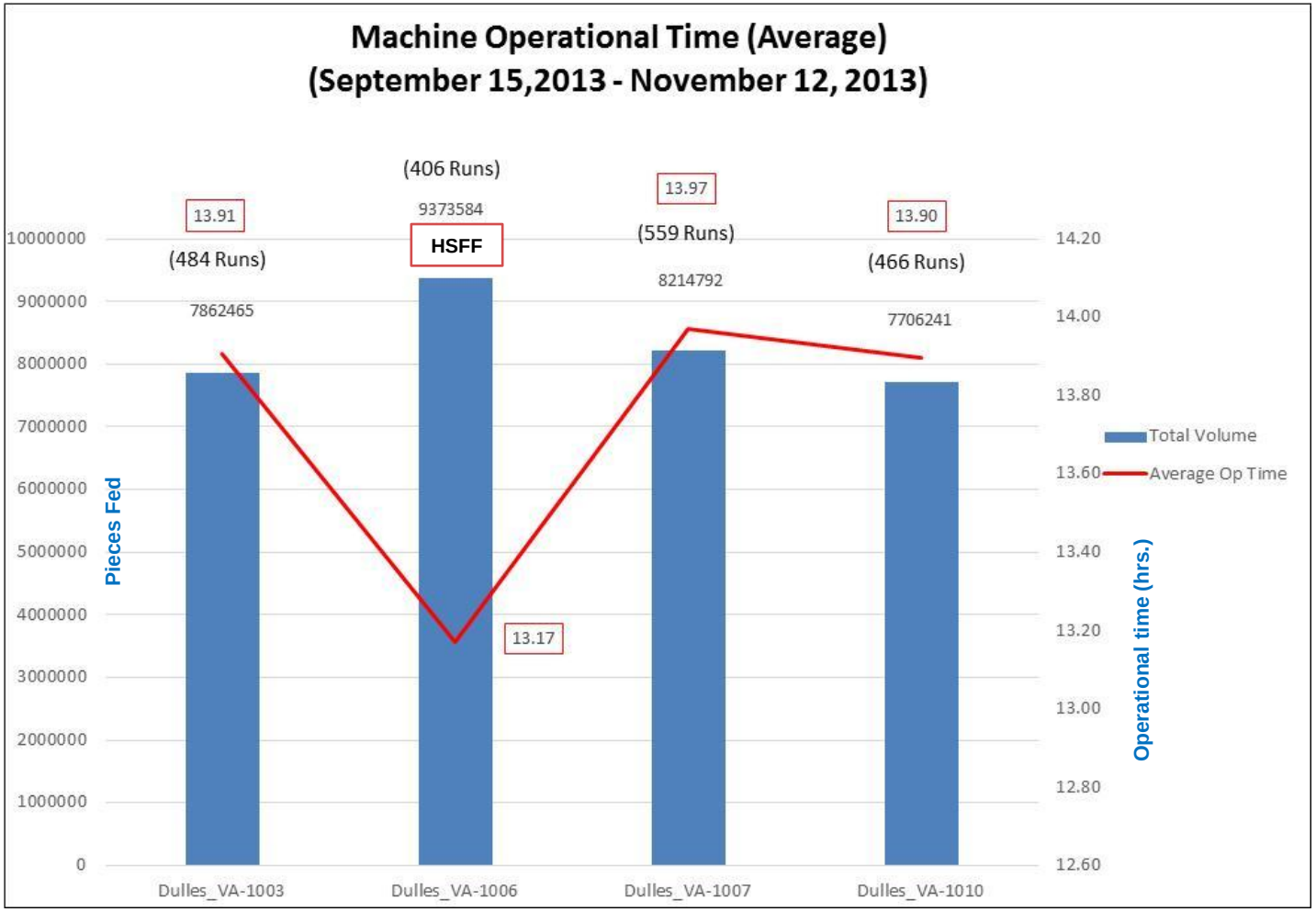

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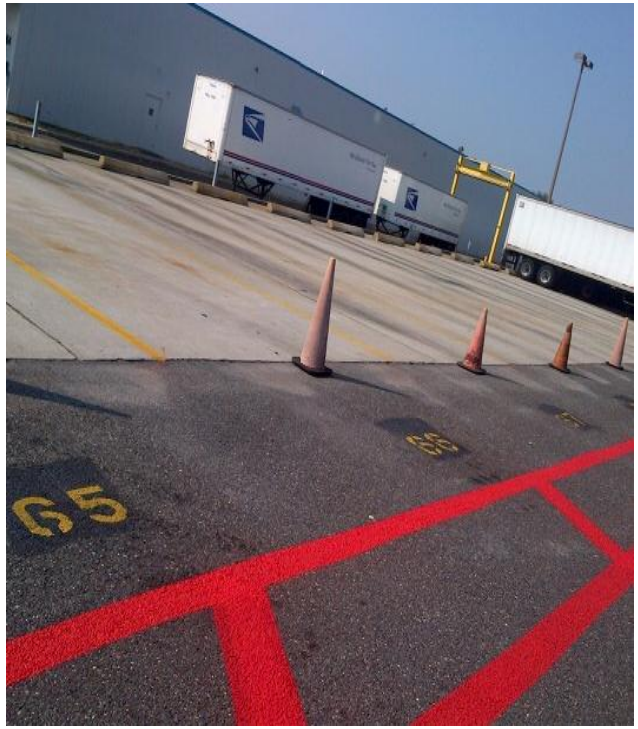
- Changed all Signage
- Developed comprehensive plan with local site to segregate mail by color code, stage at plant and deliver day certain
- Strict adherence to RPGs allowed us to control what mail was advanced by sort program

Load Leveling Standard Mail Test

- Mail was staged on the floor and in trailers
- Used signage and caution tape to inhibit accidental induction of the standard on the wrong day

Load Leveling Standard Mail Test

- Trailers were loaded sealed and inventoried every four hours.
- Parking lot was painted red where our 11 trailers were stored.



The Results

Load Leveling Standard Test Results

- Load leveling across days of the weeks achieved
- Carrier results
  - 31% reduction overtime percentage
  - 50% reduction of carriers out after 1700
  - More consistent delivery times
- Still assessing mail processing savings. Perfect knowledge of next day's production runs – strengthens use of RPG and facilitates conversation with employees on work expectations
- Outgoing clearance earlier on Monday
  - 80% cancelled by 2000 on 9/16
  - 83% cancelled by 2000 on 9/23
- Mail tendered to airlines earlier

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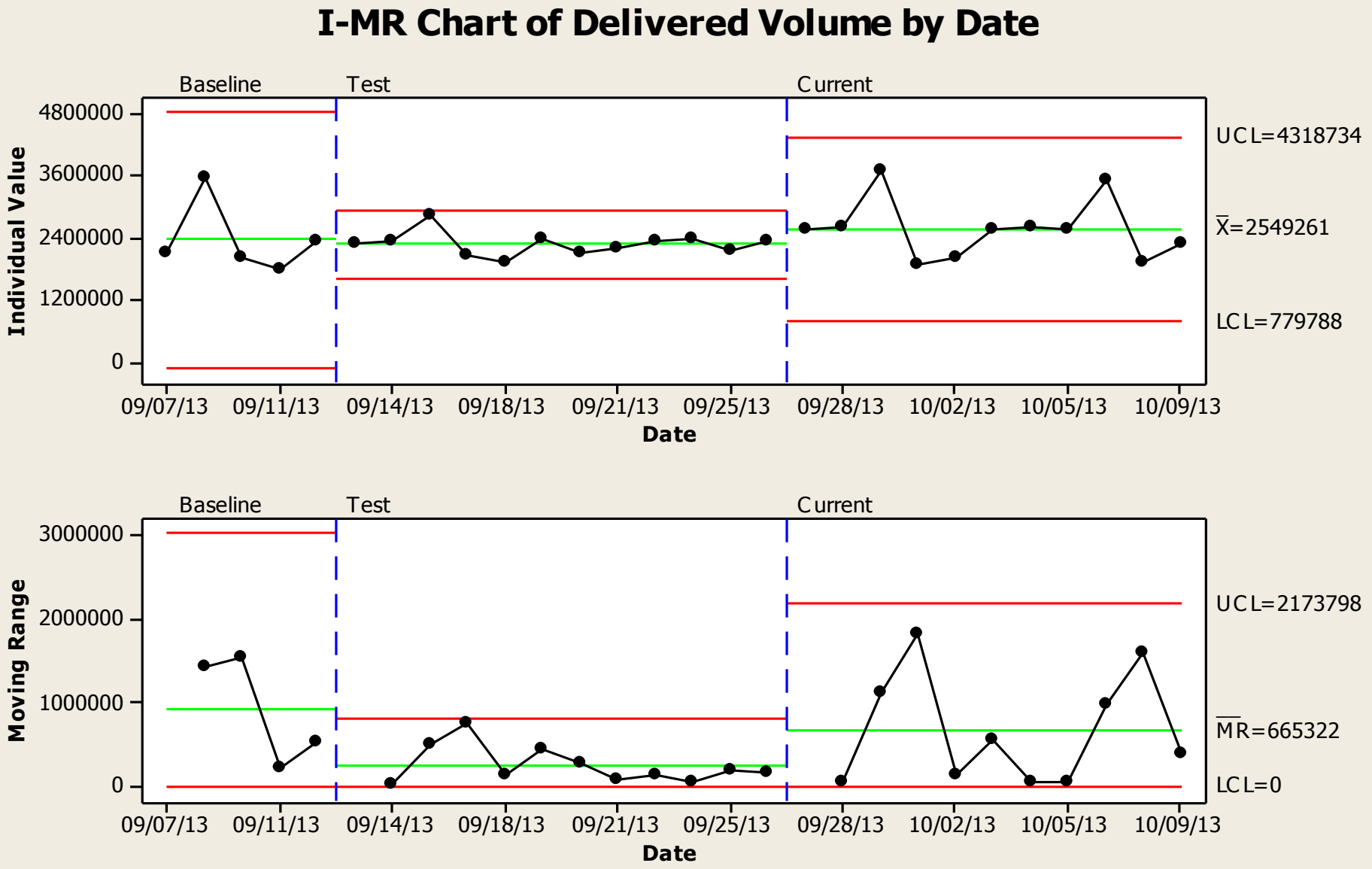
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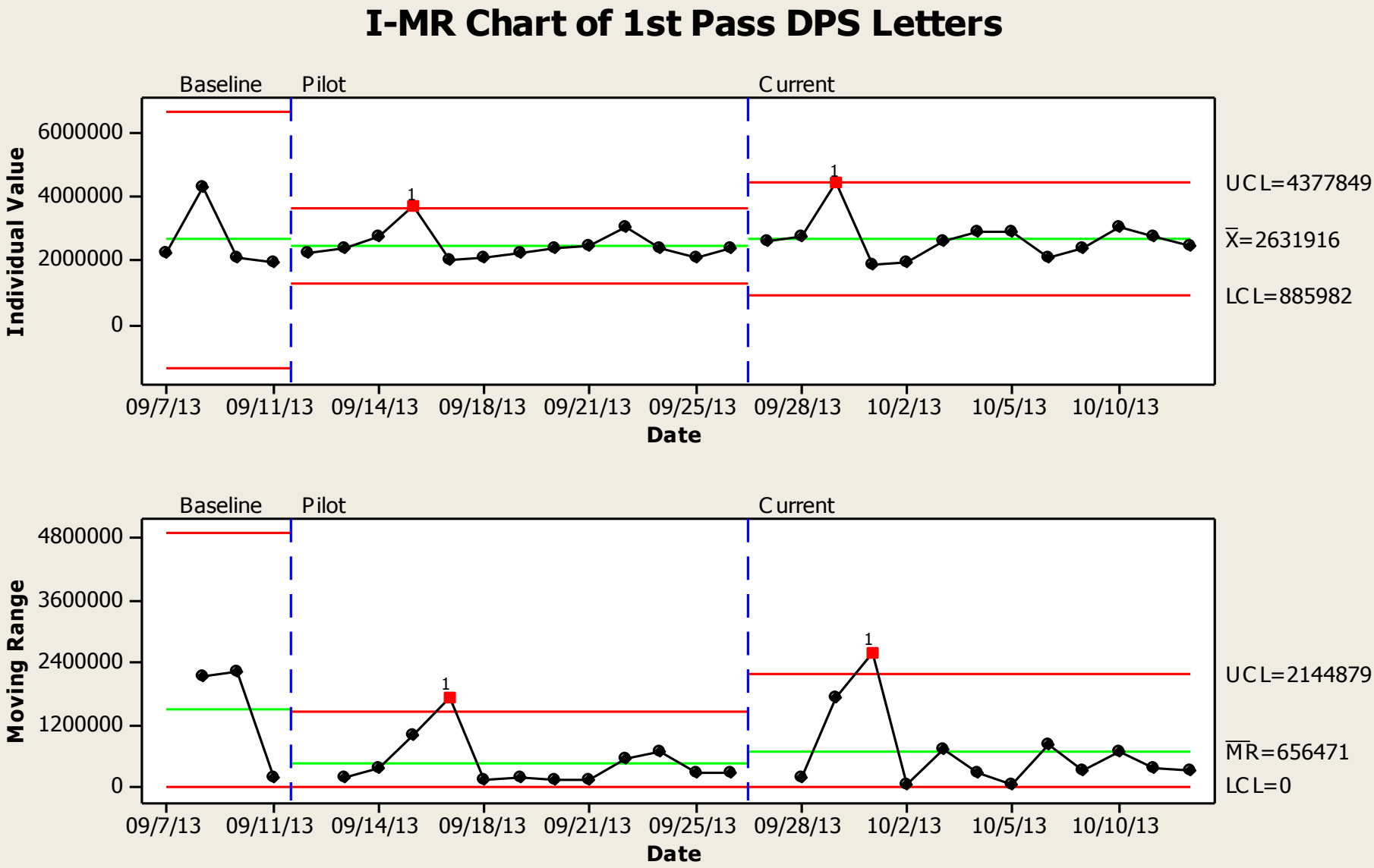

Comments from the Delivery sites

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- Leveled workload on Monday helped in cutting down on the request for help from non OT list carriers. These carriers were happy that they had enough to keep them busy on Tuesday and they did not have to do too much under time on other routes. It cuts down on grievance activity.

- Few of our carriers asked today if we can just keep on going with this test. If that's not possible when will the loads leveling actually be implemented

Score Impact

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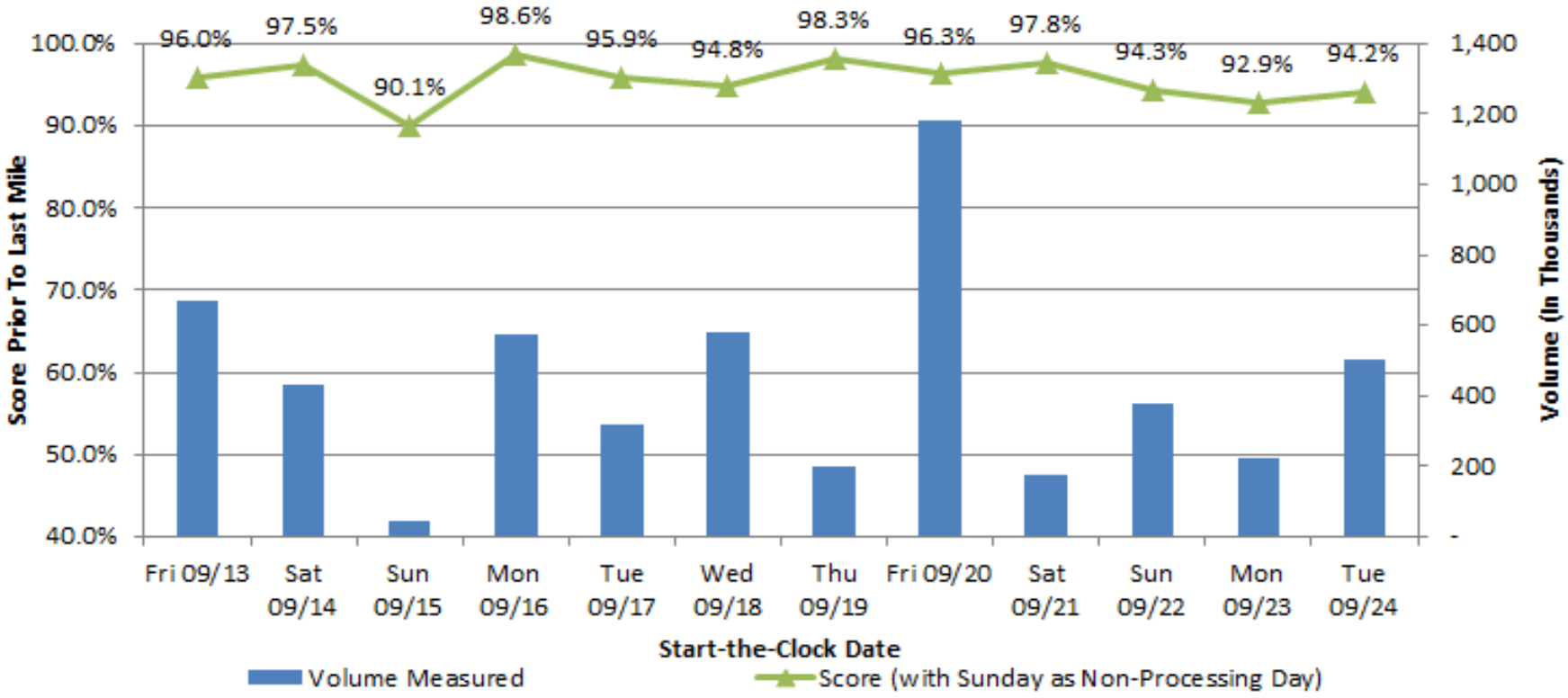


Note: *All volumes indicated above are excluded from service measurement reporting*

Next Steps

Possible Next steps

- Discuss the week of MTAC
- Support moving forward to PRC case

HUB Implementation Plan

- November 2013
  - Work with area personnel to identify HUB entry locations
- January 2014
  - Publish HUB entry list in FAST via Excel spreadsheet
  - Provide HUB entry list to eVS to grant destination entry validation exceptions
  - Test HUB methodology with mailers to identify any issues prior to full implementation
- July 2014
  - Incorporate HUBs into FAST mail direction file and other necessary modules
  - Incorporate HUBS into other downstream systems
  - Remove DMM stipulation

2.6.7 Redirection at Mailer's Request

For service reasons, a mailer may ask to transport destination SCF price mail to a facility other than the designated SCF. This exception may be approved only by the district control center serving the destination facility. To qualify for the SCF price in this situation, mail deposited at a facility other than the SCF must destinate for processing within that facility and must not require backhauling to the SCF.

MTEOR User Group 007

MTAC User Group 007 Update

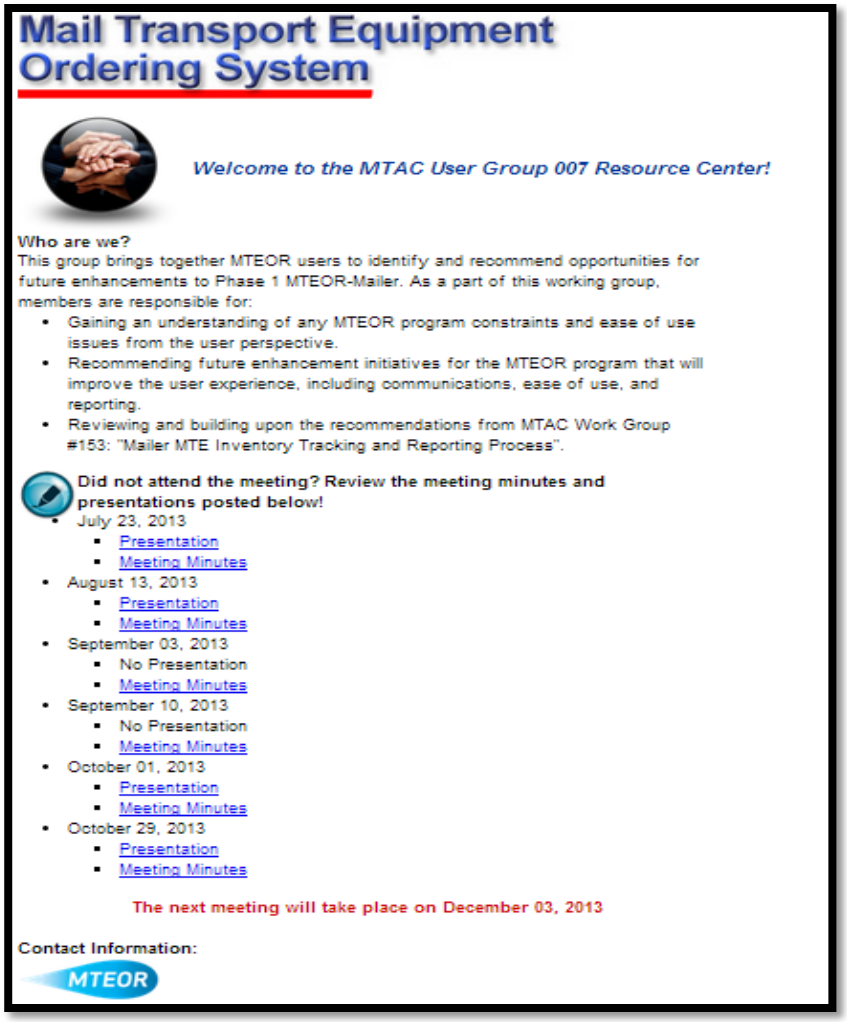
- **MTAC User Group 007 met four times since August**
  - Discussed the launch of MTEOR for Local Mailers and potential 2014 MTEOR enhancements

Potential Enhancements	Projected Launch Date
Customer Reports – Templates are still being defined and are open for discussion	**Inventory Summary Report** – Dec 2013 **Other Reports** – Spring
Messaging 'Module' on MTEOR Homepage – Updates will be shared with users via messages (i.e., known system issues; MTE supply updates, etc.)	Spring
Order History – Order history will be expanded to 30 days; users will eventually be able to export up to 13 months of order history	Spring
Modify/Withdraw Capabilities – When a user withdraws an order, the screen will be automatically updated to show the available transportation and 'Modify' will be added as an order status	Spring

MTAC User Group 007 Resources

- **Visit the MTAC User Group 007 Resource Center for all meeting materials and meeting minutes**
  - https://ribbs.usps.gov/mteor/mtac007.htm

- **Next Meeting: December 3, 2013**
  - Contact the MTEOR Help Desk at MTEOR@usps.gov or 1-866-330-3404 to join the MTEOR User Group 007



Mail Transport Equipment Ordering System

Welcome to the MTAC User Group 007 Resource Center!

Who are we?

This group brings together MTEOR users to identify and recommend opportunities for future enhancements to Phase 1 MTEOR-Mailer. As a part of this working group, members are responsible for:

- Gaining an understanding of any MTEOR program constraints and ease of use issues from the user perspective.
- Recommending future enhancement initiatives for the MTEOR program that will improve the user experience, including communications, ease of use, and reporting.
- Reviewing and building upon the recommendations from MTAC Work Group #153: "Mailer MTE Inventory Tracking and Reporting Process".

Did not attend the meeting? Review the meeting minutes and presentations posted below!

- July 23, 2013
  - Presentation
  - Meeting Minutes
- August 13, 2013
  - Presentation
  - Meeting Minutes
- September 03, 2013
  - No Presentation
  - Meeting Minutes
- September 10, 2013
  - No Presentation
  - Meeting Minutes
- October 01, 2013
  - Presentation
  - Meeting Minutes
- October 29, 2013
  - Presentation
  - Meeting Minutes

The next meeting will take place on December 03, 2013

Contact Information:

MTEOR

Task Team #11 – Review Labeling List and Mail Direction File Schedule

- Updated Labeling List and Mail Direction File Schedule – 2014 and Beyond

	IT Send LList TEST Files to NCSC	IT Generate Final Files for Downstream Systems (FAST, NCSC, PE)	Publish Date of Labeling List and MDF Files	Label List and MDF Begin Usage Date	Label List and MDF Mandatory Usage Date	Label List/MDF Expiration (last date to enter into USPS destination induction facility)	Accept 8125 of Old Address
1	11/15/2013	11/29/2013	12/15/2013	1/1/2014	2/1/2014	1/31/2014	3/17/2014
2	12/7/2013	12/14/2013	1/1/2014	2/1/2014	3/1/2014	3/31/2014	5/15/2014
3	1/7/2014	1/14/2014	2/1/2014	3/1/2014	4/1/2014	4/30/2014	6/14/2014
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12	10/7/2014	10/14/2014	11/1/2014	12/1/2014	1/1/2015	1/31/2015	3/17/2015

Changes related to January 26 price change

30-day notification

30-day grace period

Maximize 5D Scheme Labeling Lists

- Current State
  - Site defined 5D Scheme Labeling List
    - Letter - L012
    - Flats – L006
  - LL do not encompass all DPS 5 Digit Schemes
    - L012 5 Digit Schemes – 1,339
    - DPS 5 Digit Multi Zone Schemes – 3,909

- Proposed State
  - Align 5D Scheme Labeling List with current DPS Schemes
  - Top down approach to define 5D Scheme Labeling Lists

- Opportunity
  - Shift Volume from 3 Digit/AADC to 5 Digit Scheme
  - Reduce trays by combining zones to create improved tray density
  - Reduce tray handlings
  - Reduce volume for primary sortation

Mail Transport Equipment Online Ordering (MTEOR) Update

MTEOR for Local Mailers

- **MTEOR for Local Mailers launched on October 7th**
  - Allows Mailers who request MTE from the three pilot plants below to request MTE through MTEOR

Santa Ana P&DC	South Jersey P&DC	Indianapolis P&DC
56 Mailers	*62 Mailers*	*43 Mailers*

- **The pilot has been a success thus far**
  - 76 Mailers have used MTEOR for Local Mailers
  - 303 requests were placed through MTEOR
  - Over $1.5 million worth of MTE has been requested through MTEOR

Our phased roll-out by Area will begin with the Southern Pacific Area on February 3rd

Figures were last updated November 14, 2013

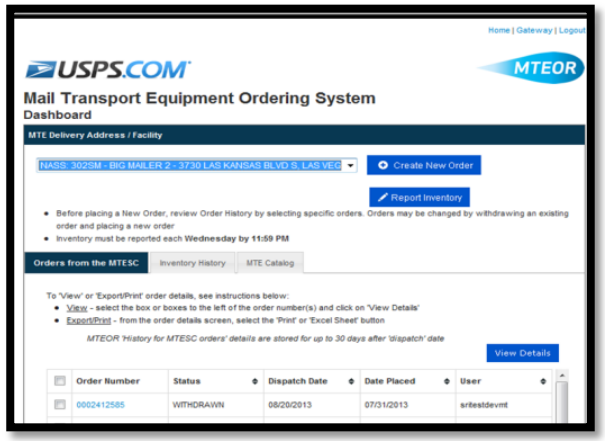
Local Mailers Full Implementation

- **We will launch MTEOR for Local Mailers in all Areas in 2014 using a phased approach**
  - **Southern Pacific Area** – February 3, 2014
  - **Northern Pacific Area** – March 3, 2014
  - **Eastern Area** – April 7, 2014
  - **Great Lakes Area** – May 5, 2014
  - **Southern Area** – June 2, 2014
  - **Northeast Area** – July 7, 2014
  - **Capital Metro Area** – August 4, 2014
  - **Western Area** – September 1, 2014

- **We will begin communicating with Mailers soon in the Southern Pacific Area through the participating plants, Postal Customer Councils, and Business Service Networks**

Additional MTEOR Updates

- **MTEOR Enhancements**
  - Tabs implemented on dashboard
  - Order and Inventory History expanded to 14 days
  - Updated MTE pricing



MTEOR Dashboard

MTEOR RIBBS Page

- **Launch of New MTEOR RIBBs Page**
  - MTESC Mailer Learning Laboratory
  - Local Mailer Learning Laboratory
  - MTAC User Group 007 Page

- **Inventory Report Reminder Emails Sent Wednesdays**

Inventory Report Reminder Email

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Mail Prep & Entry
Steering Committee Update

Mail Prep and Entry Ideas Log

- 116 ideas submitted to date
  - 37 closed
    - Out of scope, withdrawn or re-assigned
  - 19 completed
    - Postal Bulletin articles and DMM revisions announced
  - 31 remaining in Benefit/Effort matrix
  - 29 open need Change/Improvement template submitted or idea withdrawn

DMM Revisions to Date

	Federal Register Proposed Rule	Federal Register Final Rule	Postal Bulletin article	DMM revision effective
Item #22: FSS Prep Requirement Item #14: 5 digit/FSS Scheme pallets Item #63: Eliminate CR bundles in FSS zones Item #42: Maintain comail benefits in future FSS pricing environment Item #86: USPS make FSS bundle prep required.	09/26/13	TBD Final Rule will be posted in December, delayed due to government shutdown	TBD	TBD
Item #71: Conflict in DMM Language regarding presentation of MXD AADC trays	NA	NA	09/19/13	1/26/2014
Item #77: Increase Pallet Stacking limits Item #88: Increase the maximum number of pallets	NA	NA	10/31/13	1/26/2014

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Benefit/Effort Matrix

High Priority	Medium Priority	Low Priority
Item #6: Reduce time moving mail between bundle and piece sorts	**Item #8**: FCM 500 Piece Manifest Rule	**Item #83:** Enhance address label to include the CRRT designation on Non CRRT pieces
Item #10: **FCM Palletization Rules Confusing**	**Item #11**: Non-automation Presort rules	**Item #84:** Re-evaluate non-machineable barcode rates
Item #12: CSA Management	**Item #21:** Eliminate CR prep for STD & PER Ltrs	
Item #13: **Allow Commingle/CoMail of BPM and Standard Flats**	**Item #23**: Origin Entry Separation	
Item #28: Increase 20 oz machinable weight limit	**Item #26**: Bundle processing bottleneck and problems	
Item #43: Cost Based Rates Study	**Item #36**: Postage Statement Separations	
Item #76: Low volume pallet entry	**Item #44**: Requirement to re-qualify mail	
Item #78: Eliminate Non Value added Container Preps	**Item #62**: Carrier management of UAA mail and NIXIE information	
Item #79: Bundle & Container prices should signal 5D prep and DSCF entry	**Item #66**: Presort verification for flats in DMUs	
Item #80: Container and Drop shipment prices should signal the entry of 5D pallets to the DSCF and DDU	**Item #74**: Removal of Origin Sack Mail	
	Item #81: Ensure MDF allows all DSCF and 5D containers to the deepest possible Dest Facility	
	Item #82: Industry and USPS develop a strategy to increase the % of flats that comail	

29 Open Items on Ideas Log

Item #4: DDU entry for non-FSS flats	**Item #91:** Explore pricing methods to strengthen or create uniform signals for FSS prep across each class	**Item #108:** Permit combining mailings of different postage methods in a bundle based mailing
Item #38: Price vs. service level vs. time of day for different pts in USPS operations	**Item #92:** Industry / USPS work to increase comail capabilities and volumes	**Item #109:** Value added price incentives
Item #39: Narrow the focus of what defines a mailing	**Item #97:** First Class drop ship (including exploring alternate downstream entry at USPS) – Hub Work Group #159	**Item #110:** Create 3D scheme container/bundle
Item #40: Allow merging of classes when using same operation scheme	**Item #98:** Evaluate UAA/Move Update options, processing and adherence to procedures	**Item #111:** Bypass manual breakdown by building fuller 5D or 5D scheme trays/tubs/bundles
Item #41: Allow drop ship discounts at piece handing and bundle handling ops	**Item #99:** Improve residual single piece mail process, including communication, definition, pricing	**Item #112:** Eliminate bundles in full tubs in bundle rate mailings (check pricing implications)
Item #68: Streamline linking of new entry to payment process	**Item #100:** Evaluate and identify ways to reduce mailer damage mail	**Item #113:** Lower 90 piece minimum
Item #85: USPS enhance DPS bundle prep operation (currently SAMP) to be capable of processing facility pallets. (today limited to scheme pallet)	**Item #103:** Exploring alternate downstream entry at USPS – Hub Work Group #159	**Item #114:** Expand the use and roles of Customer Service Agreements – dynamic and flexible in mail prep/container and entry times
Item #87: USPS make FSS container prep required ONLY AFTER a re-examination of optimal prep is completed	**Item #105:** Identify best practices among eVS and PVDS and incorporate for both processes	**Item #115:** Create drop-ship price signal
Item #89: Ensure Mail Direction file supports directing all FSS container types to the deepest possible facility in the network for processing	**Item #106:** Improve 99M Container Scan compliance at NDCs and SCFs and expand to include sacks at DDU	**Item #116:** Signal prep of lower minimum tray for CRRT and 5D
Item #90: USPS create unique prices within Periodicals to signal the entry of FSS prepped mail at each FSS site	**Item #107:** Increase maximum pallet height to enhance double stacking of gaylords	

Flats Strategy Update

Flats Strategy Status

- Draft posted on RIBBS 10/31/13

- Further collaborative discussion / development underway to include
  - Initiatives to reduce costs
  - Future technology for flats
  - Growth strategies

- Scheduled to publish 12/31/13

Network Rationalization
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Agenda

- Standard Track
  - Action Items from Last Meeting
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  - Workgroup Updates
  - 5D Scheme LL
  - MTEOR Update
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Action Items

- Action Items from Last Meeting
  - Load Leveling – Provide announcement to MTAC
  - Concerns with Labeling List and Mail Direction File Release Schedule
    - Industry to provide data regarding impacted mailing with 30 Day Grace Period
    - Potential to lengthen 15-day posting date prior to effective date
    - Reopen workgroup and refresh charter; outcome should include:
      - Add communication and education
      - 2014 schedule
  - Communication on SCF discount at closing facilities

Engineering Technology Update

USPS-Paper/Printing Industry Workshop

- Workshop held on Oct 29
  - Gain a better understanding of the paper/printing process and impact on mail characteristics
  - How changes in volume, paper weight and type of paper influences the mailing costs
  - Elements that shape flat mail characteristics
    - Lighter paper produces savings in postage and shipping cost
    - How physics of Flat mail and processing is impacted by variance in paper weight, material, stiffness, coating, print quality, etc.
  - Elements that Influence flat mail processing (card stock, paper basis weight, poly, print quality, thickness, Low “Run Stiffness”)
    - How different stiffness of flat mail affects feeding, tray transfer processes, and mail damage
  - Defining a “Perfect Flat”
    - Initiate a workshop with the mailing industry to define characteristics – QTR 1, 2014
    - Obtain test mail to test characteristics for optimum performance – QTR 2, 2014
    - Collaborate on forming the refined characteristics – QTR 2, 2014
    - Generate a guideline for “Perfect Flat” – QTR 3, 2014

FSS Mail Handling Improvements

- **New Separation Belts planned for Dec/Jan**
  - New Belts are ready for deployment.
    - New welder tool has been delayed due to First Article non-conformance issues
    - Deployment planned for all 100 machines – Dec/Jan

- **Mail Stack Quality at Feeders planned for Dec/Jan**
  - Adding 3 HW mods at feeder to better control stack quality and have gentler pick off of Low “Run Stiffness” Mail
  - Production First Articles have been delayed and now have been received and approved.
  - 5 machines currently installed with the Mods
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- **Infeed Line Injector planned for Dec/Jan**
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High Speed Flats Feeder

R&D Evaluation Plan

- Install HSFF (Completed) Jun 14
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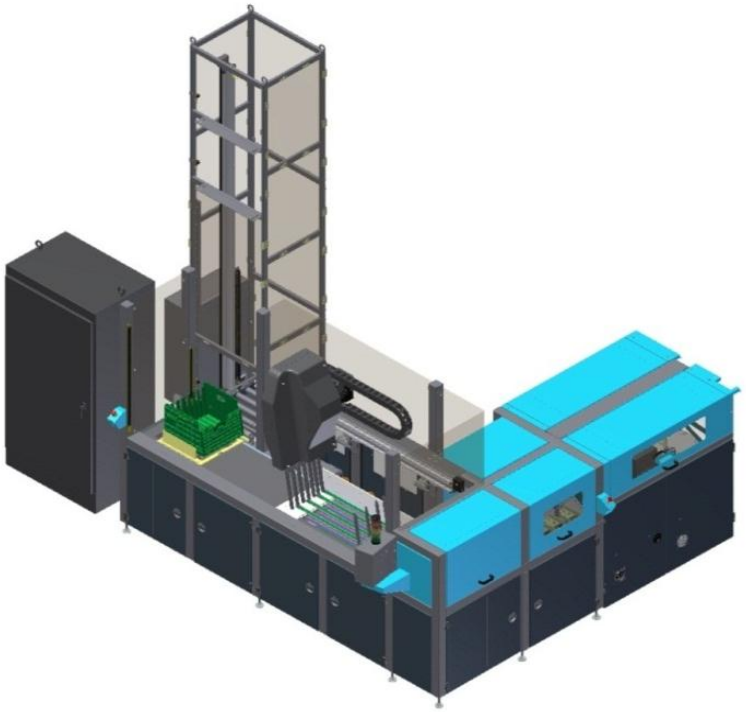

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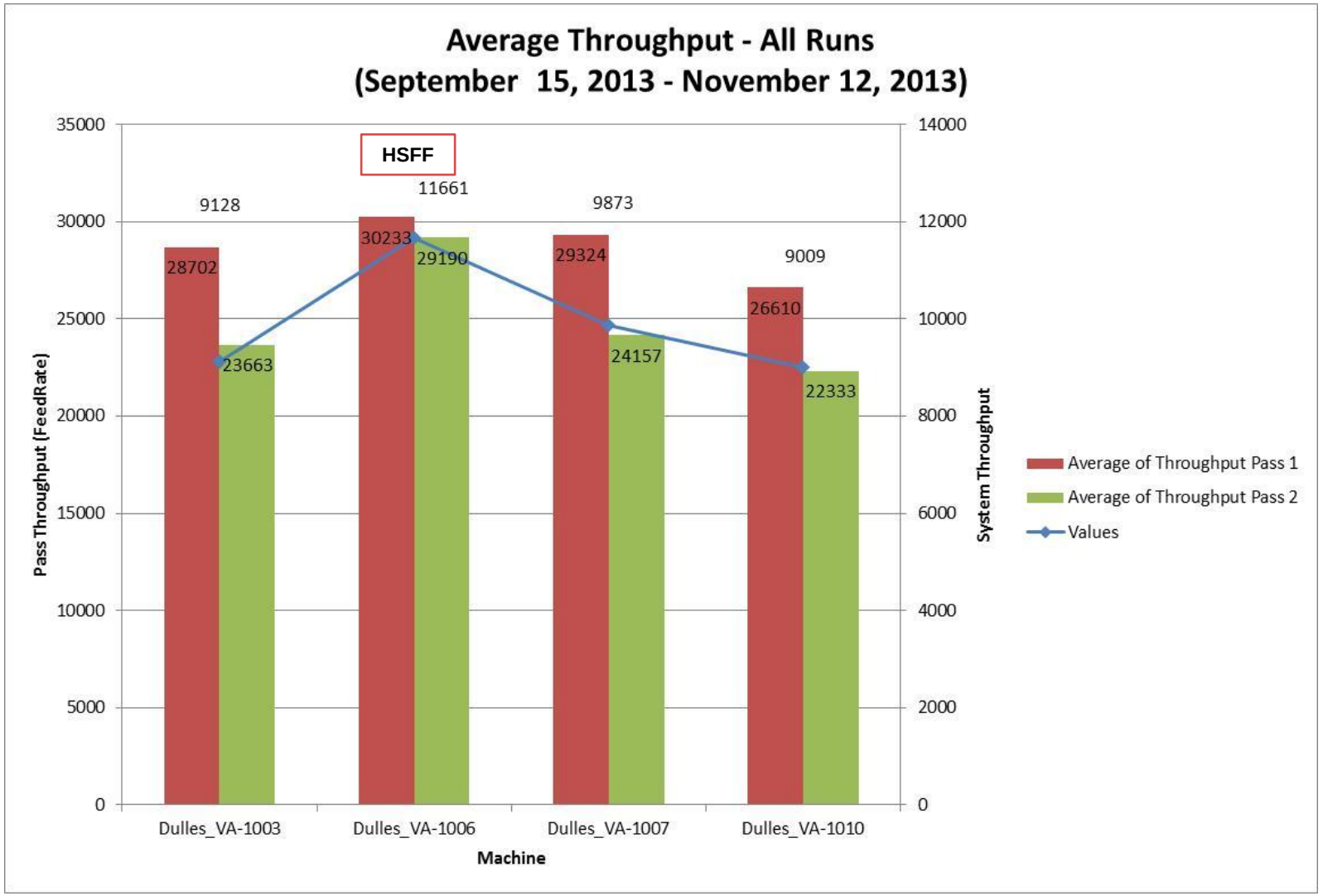

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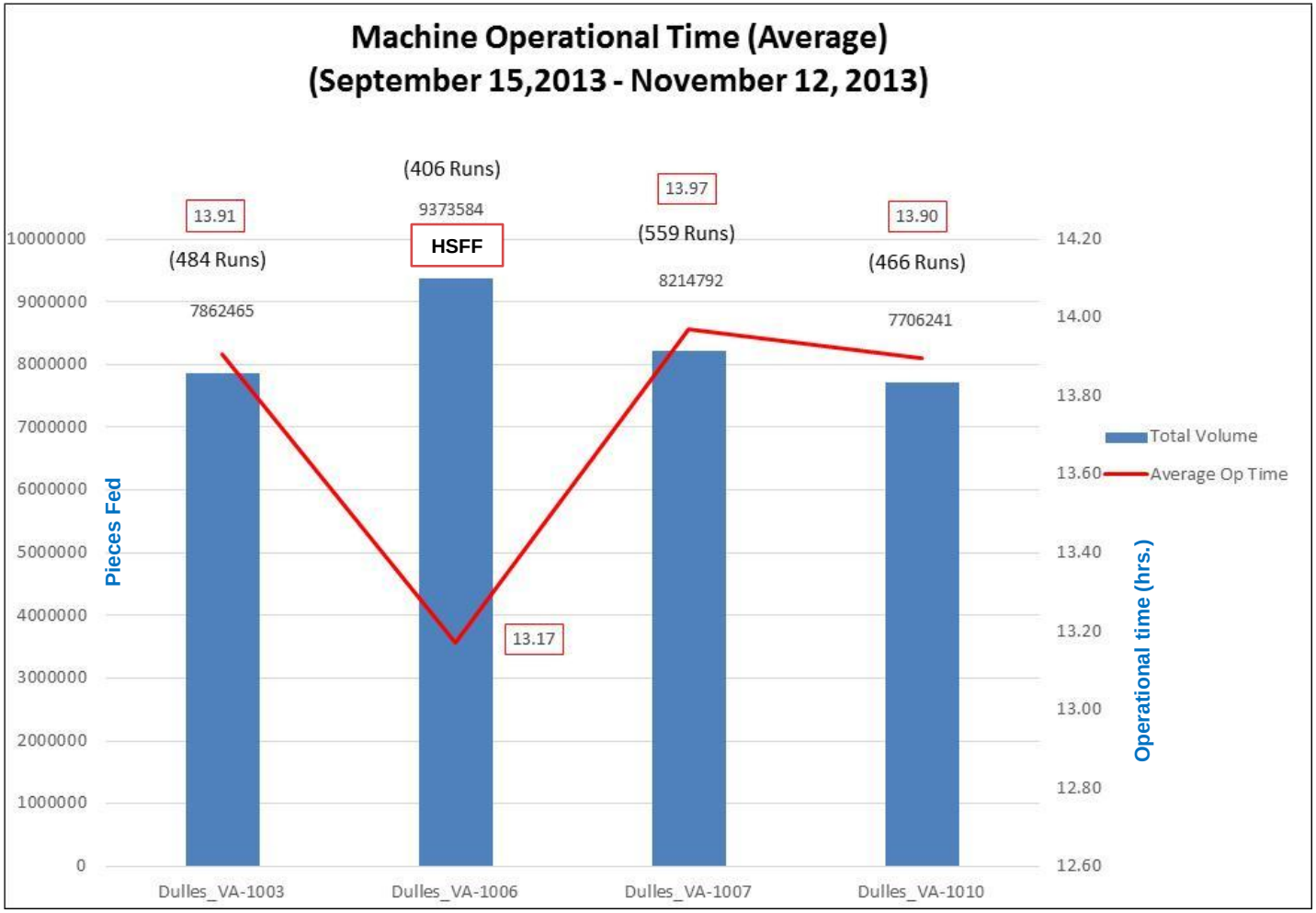

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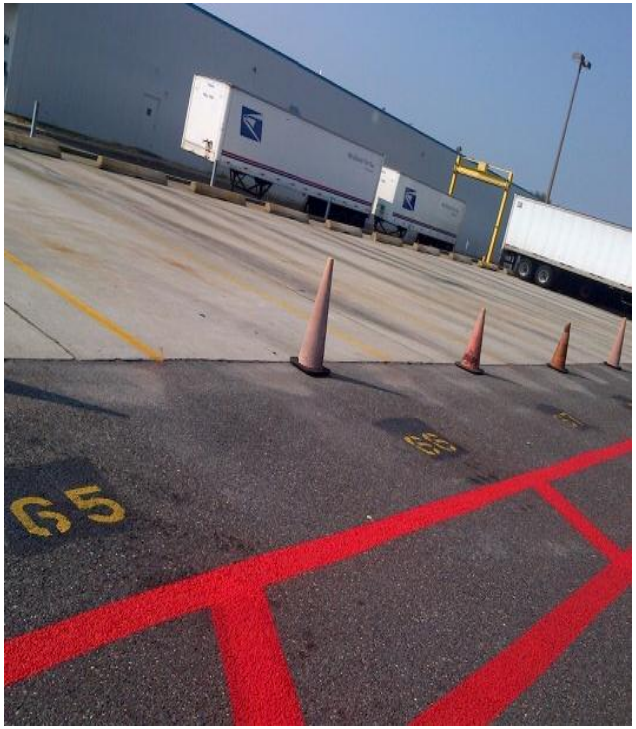

The Results

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- Load leveling across days of the weeks achieved
- Carrier results
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  - 50% reduction of carriers out after 1700
  - More consistent delivery times
- Still assessing mail processing savings. Perfect knowledge of next day's production runs – strengthens use of RPG and facilitates conversation with employees on work expectations
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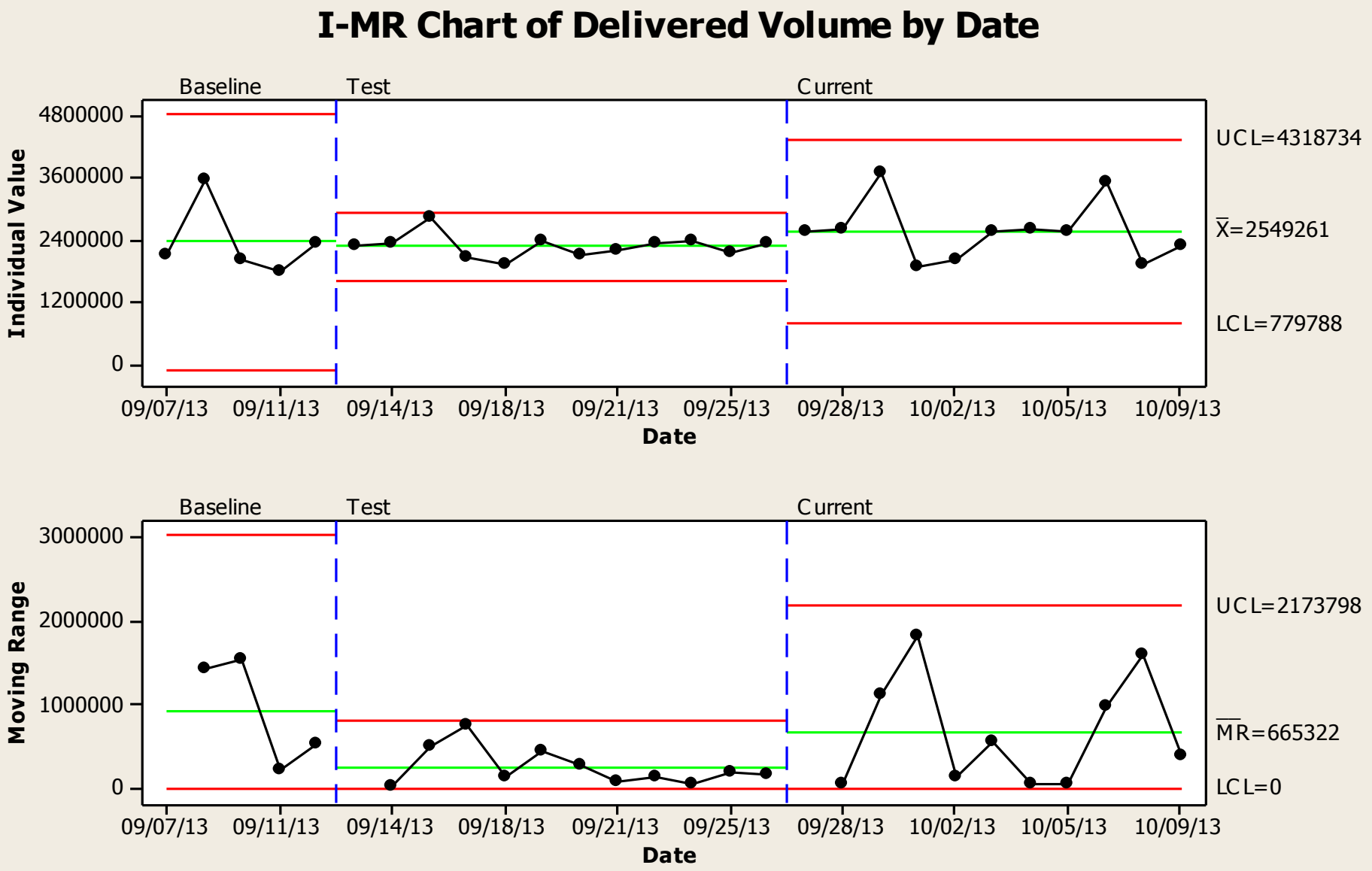
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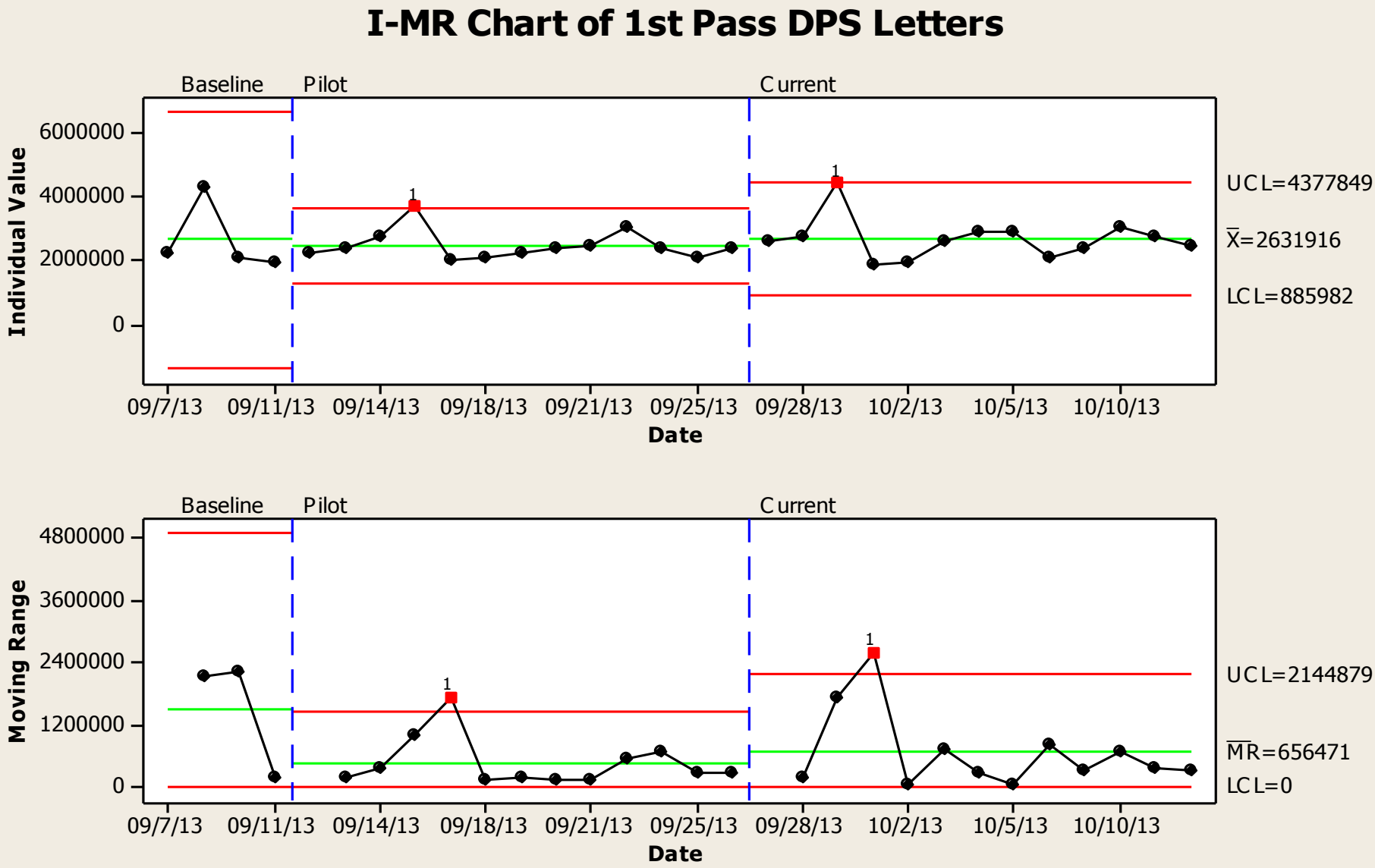

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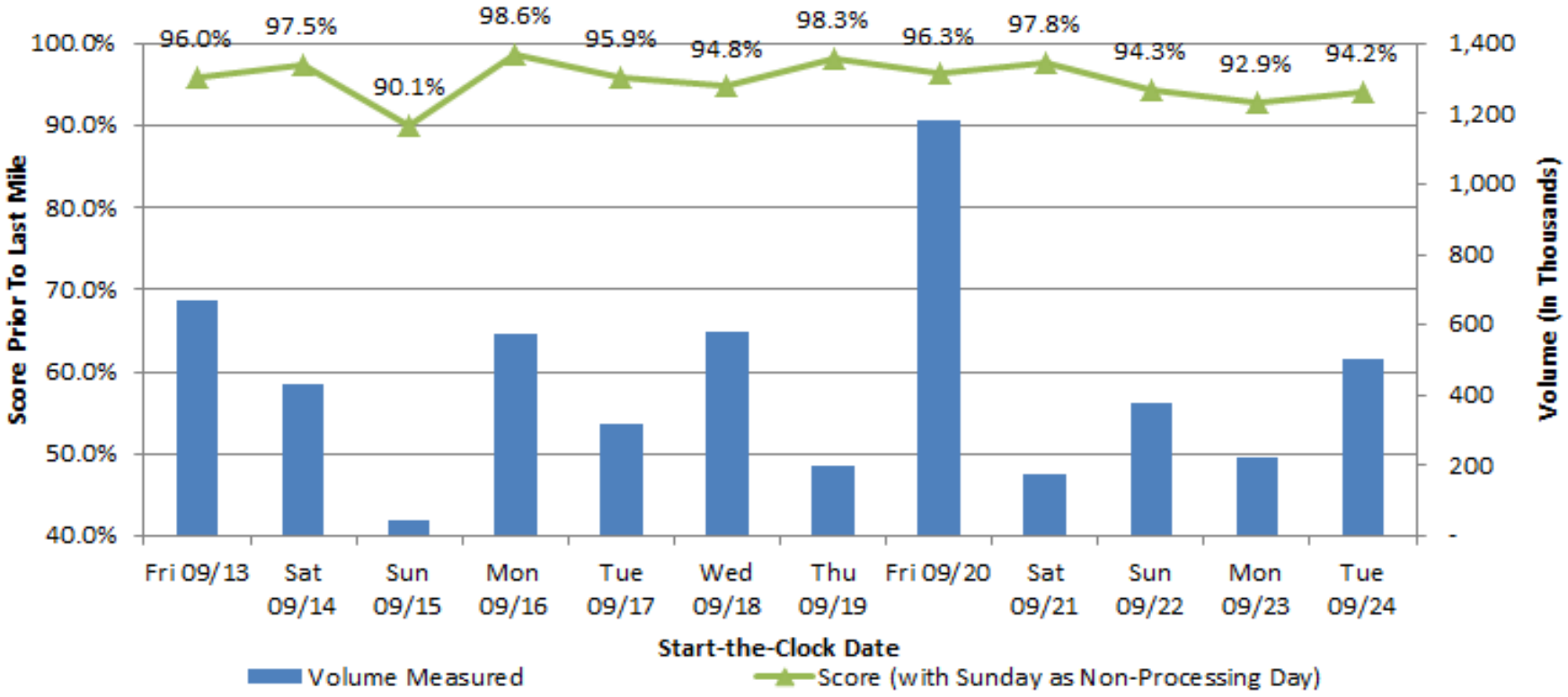

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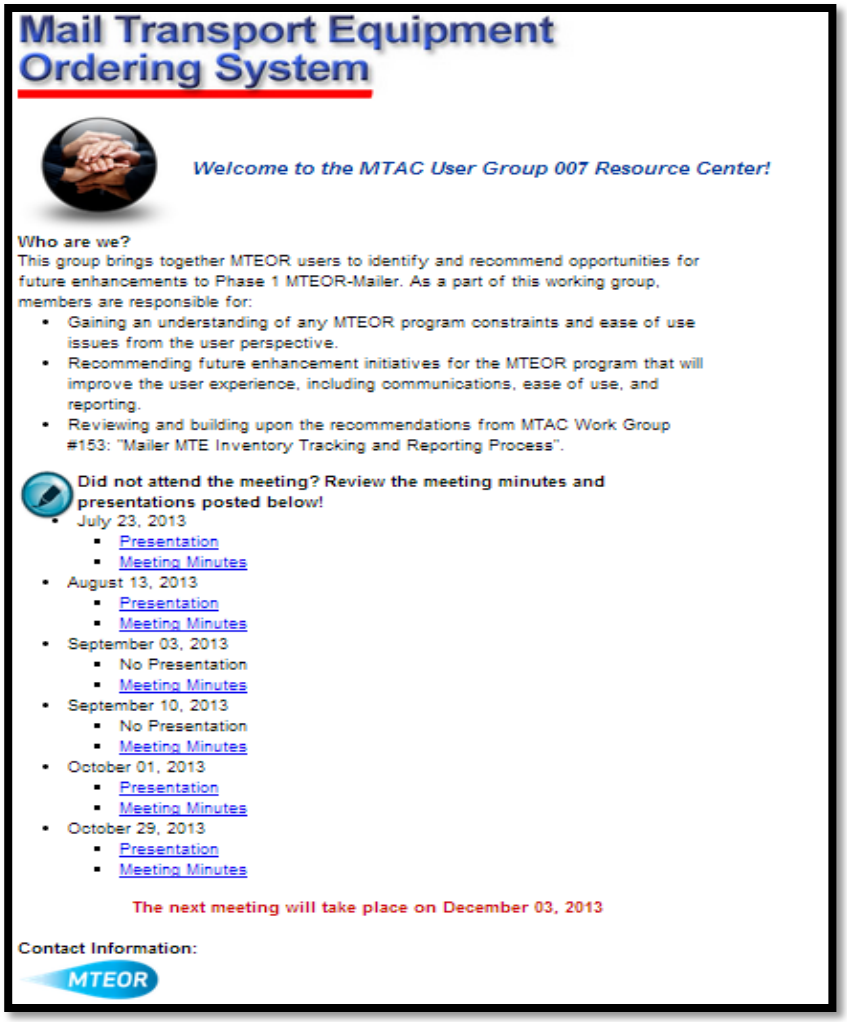

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    - Flats – L006
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    - L012 5 Digit Schemes – 1,339
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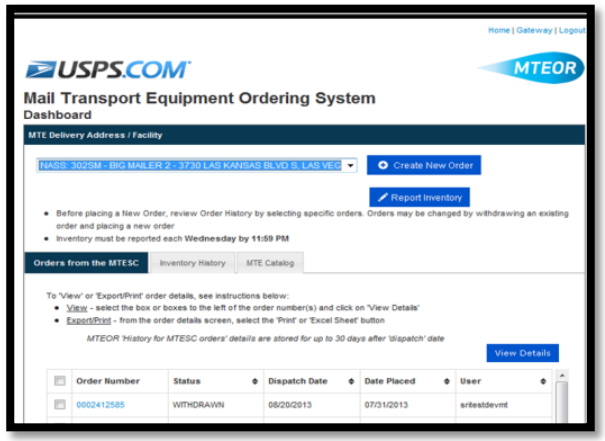

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  - 31 remaining in Benefit/Effort matrix
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DMM Revisions to Date

	Federal Register Proposed Rule	Federal Register Final Rule	Postal Bulletin article	DMM revision effective
Item #22: FSS Prep Requirement Item #14: 5 digit/FSS Scheme pallets Item #63: Eliminate CR bundles in FSS zones Item #42: Maintain comail benefits in future FSS pricing environment Item #86: USPS make FSS bundle prep required.	09/26/13	TBD Final Rule will be posted in December, delayed due to government shutdown	TBD	TBD
Item #71: Conflict in DMM Language regarding presentation of MXD AADC trays	NA	NA	09/19/13	1/26/2014
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Benefit/Effort Matrix

High Priority	Medium Priority	Low Priority
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Item #78: Eliminate Non Value added Container Preps	**Item #62**: Carrier management of UAA mail and NIXIE information	
Item #79: Bundle & Container prices should signal 5D prep and DSCF entry	**Item #66**: Presort verification for flats in DMUs	
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29 Open Items on Ideas Log

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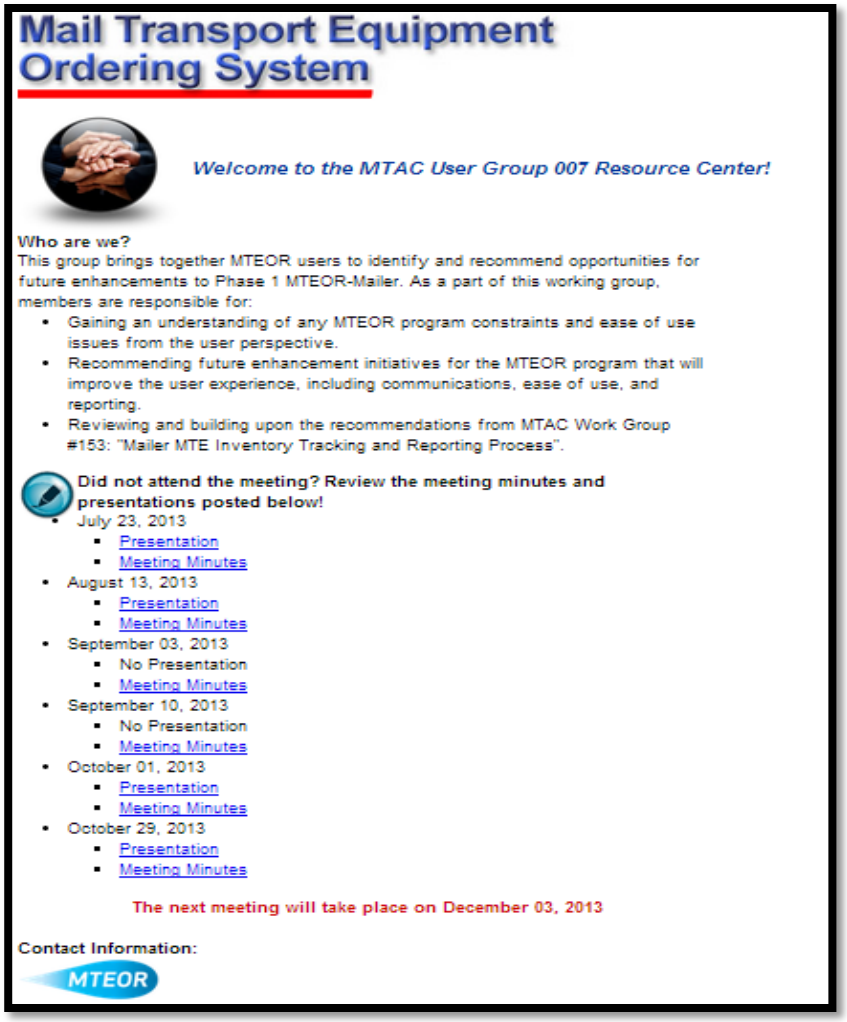

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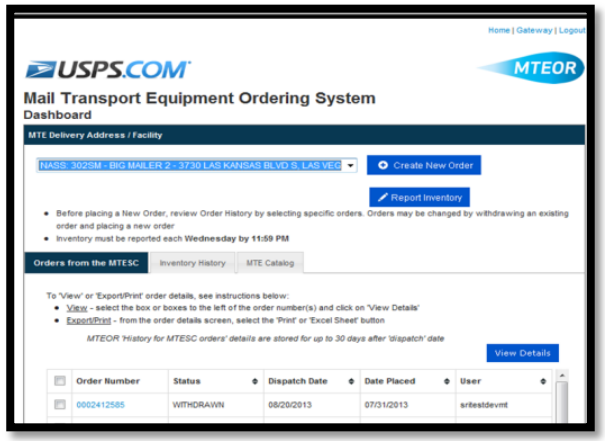

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  - 31 remaining in Benefit/Effort matrix
  - 29 open need Change/Improvement template submitted or idea withdrawn

DMM Revisions to Date

	Federal Register Proposed Rule	Federal Register Final Rule	Postal Bulletin article	DMM revision effective
Item #22: FSS Prep Requirement Item #14: 5 digit/FSS Scheme pallets Item #63: Eliminate CR bundles in FSS zones Item #42: Maintain comail benefits in future FSS pricing environment Item #86: USPS make FSS bundle prep required.	09/26/13	TBD Final Rule will be posted in December, delayed due to government shutdown	TBD	TBD
Item #71: Conflict in DMM Language regarding presentation of MXD AADC trays	NA	NA	09/19/13	1/26/2014
Item #77: Increase Pallet Stacking limits Item #88: Increase the maximum number of pallets	NA	NA	10/31/13	1/26/2014

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Benefit/Effort Matrix

High Priority	Medium Priority	Low Priority
Item #6: Reduce time moving mail between bundle and piece sorts	**Item #8**: FCM 500 Piece Manifest Rule	**Item #83:** Enhance address label to include the CRRT designation on Non CRRT pieces
Item #10: **FCM Palletization Rules Confusing**	**Item #11**: Non-automation Presort rules	**Item #84:** Re-evaluate non-machineable barcode rates
Item #12: CSA Management	**Item #21:** Eliminate CR prep for STD & PER Ltrs	
Item #13: **Allow Commingle/CoMail of BPM and Standard Flats**	**Item #23**: Origin Entry Separation	
Item #28: Increase 20 oz machinable weight limit	**Item #26**: Bundle processing bottleneck and problems	
Item #43: Cost Based Rates Study	**Item #36**: Postage Statement Separations	
Item #76: Low volume pallet entry	**Item #44**: Requirement to re-qualify mail	
Item #78: Eliminate Non Value added Container Preps	**Item #62**: Carrier management of UAA mail and NIXIE information	
Item #79: Bundle & Container prices should signal 5D prep and DSCF entry	**Item #66**: Presort verification for flats in DMUs	
Item #80: Container and Drop shipment prices should signal the entry of 5D pallets to the DSCF and DDU	**Item #74**: Removal of Origin Sack Mail	
	Item #81: Ensure MDF allows all DSCF and 5D containers to the deepest possible Dest Facility	
	Item #82: Industry and USPS develop a strategy to increase the % of flats that comail	

29 Open Items on Ideas Log

Item #4: DDU entry for non-FSS flats	**Item #91:** Explore pricing methods to strengthen or create uniform signals for FSS prep across each class	**Item #108:** Permit combining mailings of different postage methods in a bundle based mailing
Item #38: Price vs. service level vs. time of day for different pts in USPS operations	**Item #92:** Industry / USPS work to increase comail capabilities and volumes	**Item #109:** Value added price incentives
Item #39: Narrow the focus of what defines a mailing	**Item #97:** First Class drop ship (including exploring alternate downstream entry at USPS) – Hub Work Group #159	**Item #110:** Create 3D scheme container/bundle
Item #40: Allow merging of classes when using same operation scheme	**Item #98:** Evaluate UAA/Move Update options, processing and adherence to procedures	**Item #111:** Bypass manual breakdown by building fuller 5D or 5D scheme trays/tubs/bundles
Item #41: Allow drop ship discounts at piece handing and bundle handling ops	**Item #99:** Improve residual single piece mail process, including communication, definition, pricing	**Item #112:** Eliminate bundles in full tubs in bundle rate mailings (check pricing implications)
Item #68: Streamline linking of new entry to payment process	**Item #100:** Evaluate and identify ways to reduce mailer damage mail	**Item #113:** Lower 90 piece minimum
Item #85: USPS enhance DPS bundle prep operation (currently SAMP) to be capable of processing facility pallets. (today limited to scheme pallet)	**Item #103:** Exploring alternate downstream entry at USPS – Hub Work Group #159	**Item #114:** Expand the use and roles of Customer Service Agreements – dynamic and flexible in mail prep/container and entry times
Item #87: USPS make FSS container prep required ONLY AFTER a re-examination of optimal prep is completed	**Item #105:** Identify best practices among eVS and PVDS and incorporate for both processes	**Item #115:** Create drop-ship price signal
Item #89: Ensure Mail Direction file supports directing all FSS container types to the deepest possible facility in the network for processing	**Item #106:** Improve 99M Container Scan compliance at NDCs and SCFs and expand to include sacks at DDU	**Item #116:** Signal prep of lower minimum tray for CRRT and 5D
Item #90: USPS create unique prices within Periodicals to signal the entry of FSS prepped mail at each FSS site	**Item #107:** Increase maximum pallet height to enhance double stacking of gaylords	

Network Rationalization
Phase II Status

Open Discussion